The Gorilla

1953

FOOTBALL

Trent	0	Aspermont	20
Trent	0	May	20
Trent	0	Hobbs	19
Trent	6	Loraine	0
Trent	12	Bronte	0

SCORES

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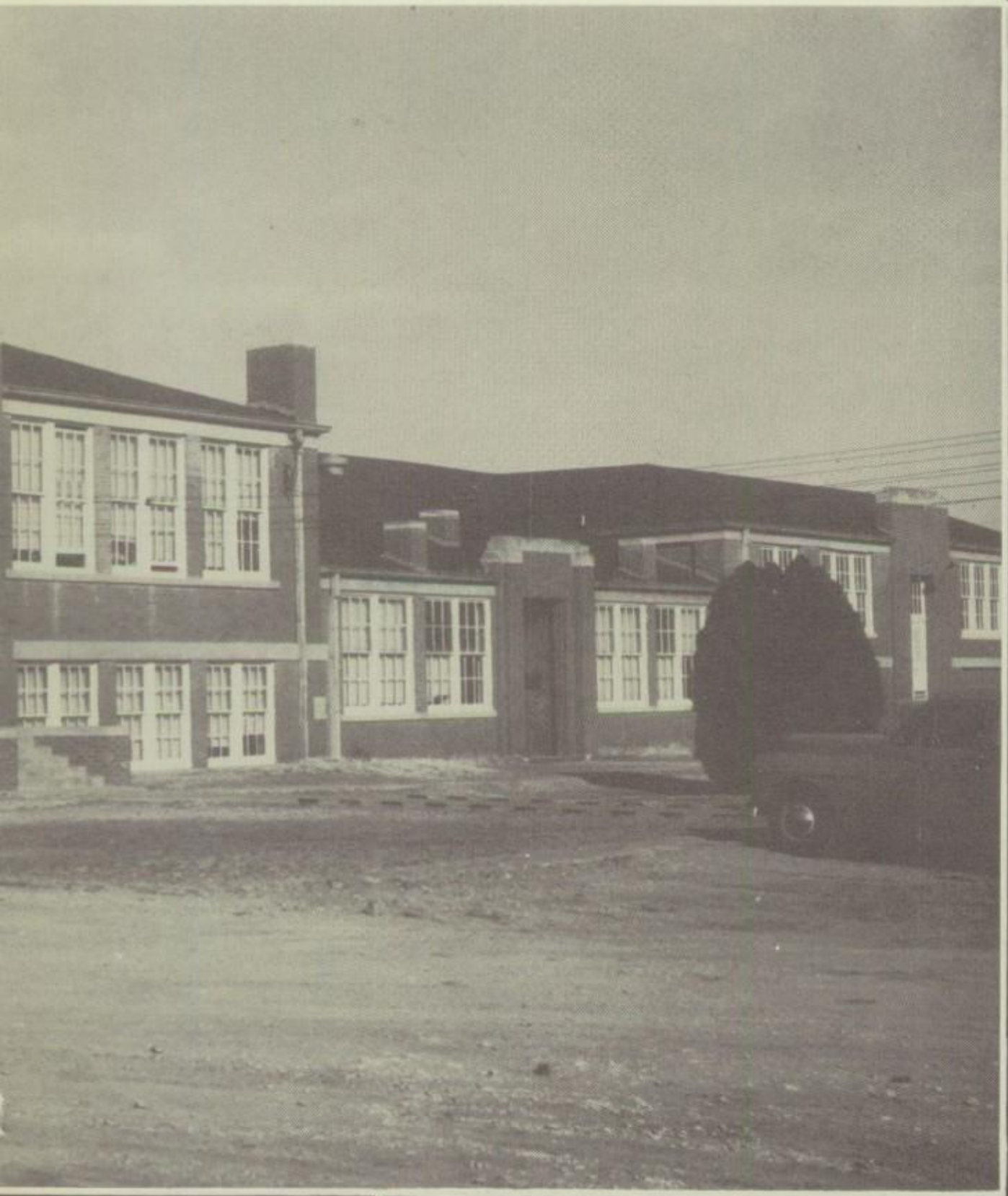
Trent	62	Divide	0
Trent	0	Robert Lee	35
Trent	43	Ira	0
Trent	6	Hermleigh	35



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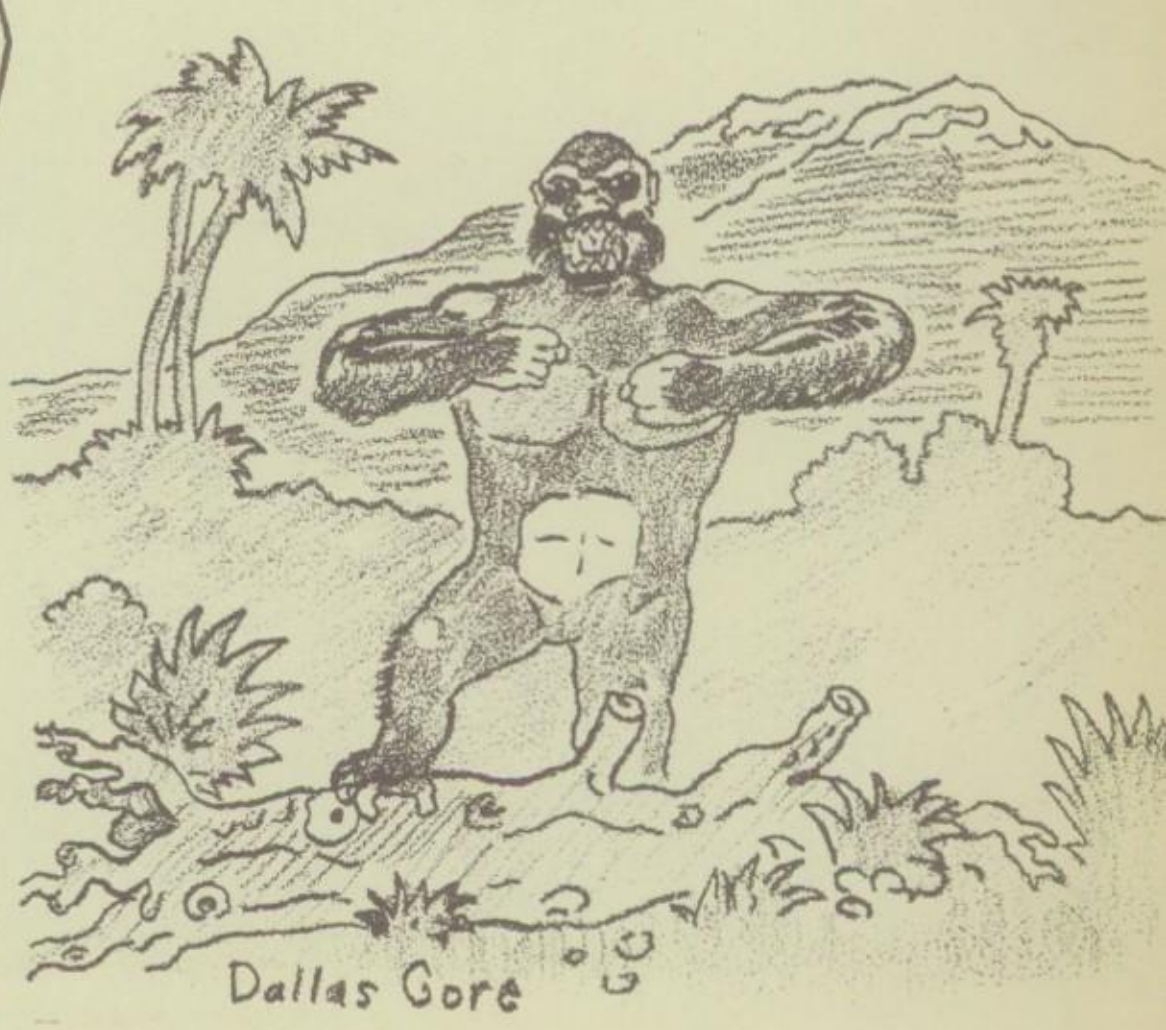
BELONGS TO

The 1953 Gorilla



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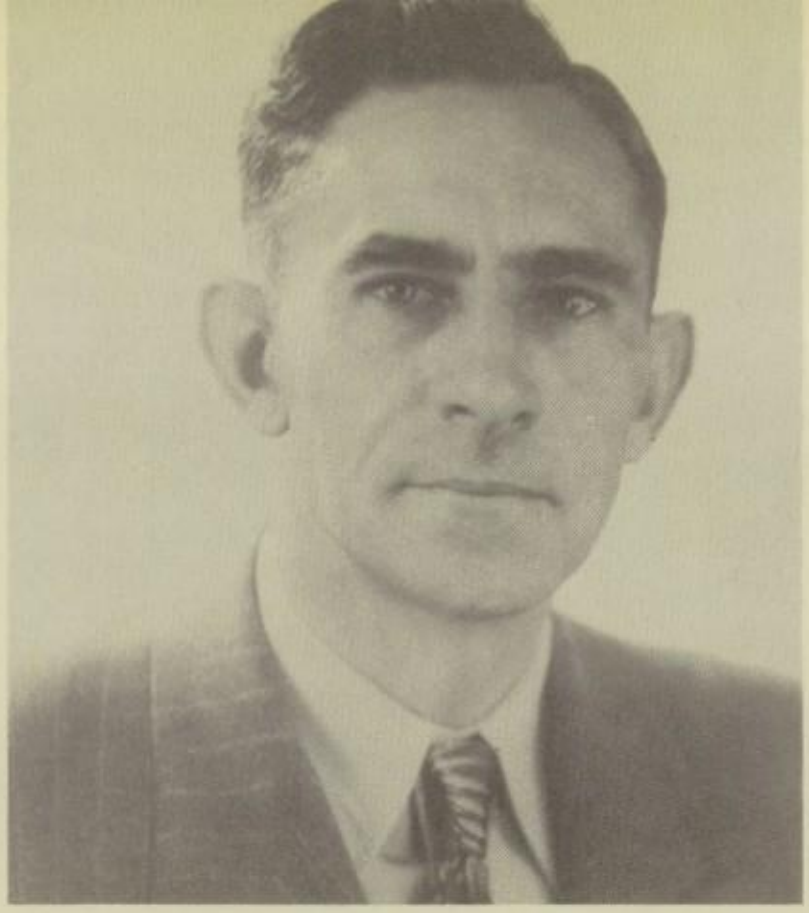
Trent, Texas



My message to the Senior Class of 1952-53.

I am grateful for the opportunity to write a brief message to a fine senior class.

May I congratulate you for your scholastic achievements. The high principles of truth and knowledge gained while attending school will motivate your thinking to higher ideals in life. Your fine spirit of cooperation, loyalty and fidelity to the Trent School will long be remembered. It is the worthy examples you have set forth which tend to measure the success of our school.

In conclusion may I remind you that, "Success in life is measured not in terms of financial gain, but in terms of service rendered".

With love and best wishes,
W.B. Williams,
Supt. Trent High School

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DEDICATION

Because of her interest in boys and girls, and because of her untiring efforts to start them on the road to learning and to good citizenship, we, the annual staff, take pleasure in dedicating this, the 1953 Gorilla, to a great teacher, Mrs. Edith Rudd.

SCHOOL SONG

Dear old Trent High of Gorilla fame,

We have learned to love, respect you,

Honor your name.

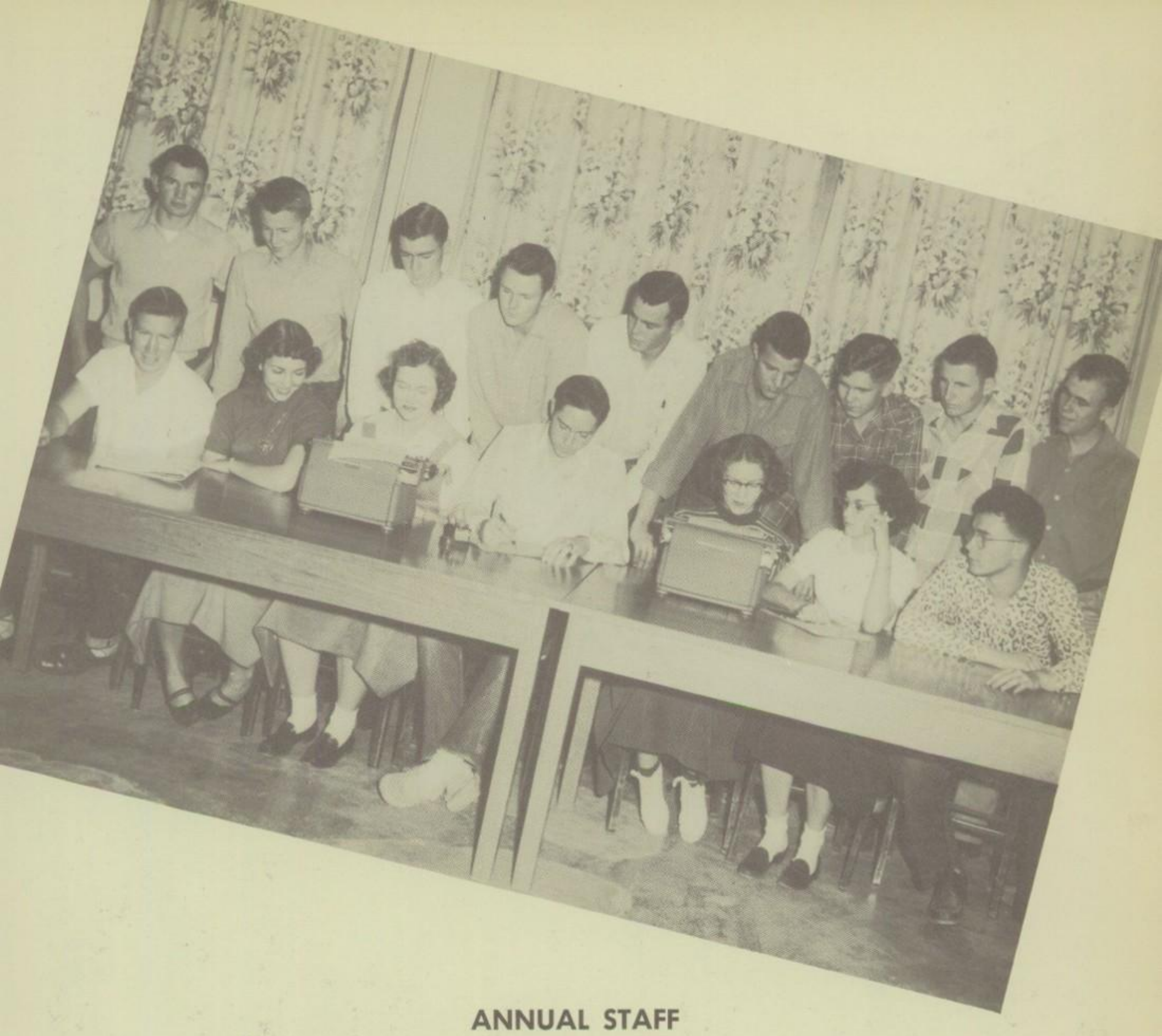
To your ideals we'll be true,

To your spirits fame;

We'll give our best to T H S

Till the end of time.

COMPLIMENTS
International Harvester
Merkel, Texas



ANNUAL STAFF

Standing:

J.M. Heatly. . . . . Business Manager
Joe Scott. . . . . Junior Assistant Editor
W.A. Dennis . . . . . .General Helper
C.W. Edwards . . . . . .General Helper
Bobby Toliver. . . . . .General Helper
Leon Dudley. . . . . Assistant Snapshot Editor
Leroy Armstrong . . . . . Snapshot Editor
Billy Young . . . . . .Sports Editor
Benton Yandell . . . . . Assistant Sports Editor
STAFF SPONSOR, Sarah M. Payne (not pictured)

Seated:

Jimmy Winn. . . . . Assistant Editor
Bobbye Dudley . . . . . Junior Assistant Business Manager
Amelia Martin . . . . . .Assistant Business Manager
Allen D. King, Jr. . . . . .Editor-in-Chief
Judy Steadman . . . . . .Artist
Sylvia Taylor . . . . . .Junior Assistant Sports Editor
Dallas Gore. . . . . .Artist

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Coach B.J. Everett
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Miss Alice Cross

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Mrs. Mary Mills
Mrs. Lois McRee
Mrs. W.B. Williams

GRADE SCHOOL

Mrs. J.O. Young
Mrs. Dene Seago
Mrs. Lee Rudd

"F & M" NATIONAL BANK MERKEL, TEXAS

Seniors

JIMMY WINN

Football--1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball--1, 2, 4
Track--1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball--2, 3
Class President--1, 3
FFA-Sec. 4, Parl. 3
Annual Ass't. Editor--4
Annual Sports Ed.--2
Most Popular--2
"Booger"

ALLEN D. KING, JR.

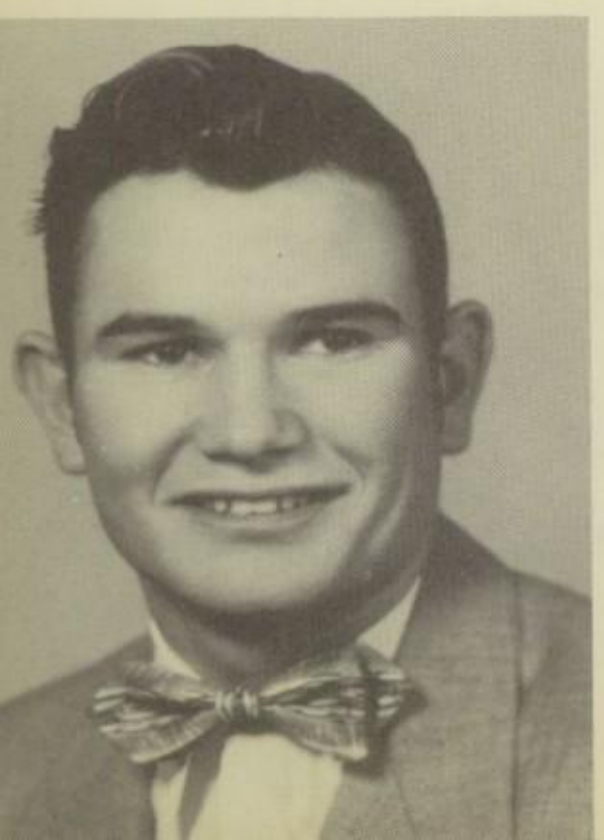
Class President--4
FFA President--2, 3, 4
Football--1--Mgr. 3, 4
Annual Editor--4
FHA Romeo--3
Basketball--4
Class King--2
Lone Star Farmer--3
Bus Driver--4
Track--1, 3, 4
"Stack"

LEON DUDLEY

Football--4--Mgr. 3
Basketball--1, 2, 3, 4
Track--1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball--2, 3, 4
Annual Ass't. Snap Shot--4
Class King--3
Football Hero--4
FFA--1, 2, 3, 4
FFA--Parl. 3

J. M. HEATLY

Football--1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball--1, 3
Track--1, 2, 3, 4 (State)
V.A. 1, 2, 3, 4
Class Pres.--2
FFA Vice-Pres. 3
Best All-Round-4
Annual Bus. Mgr.--4
Bus Driver--4
"Stud"



AMELIA FAYE MARTIN

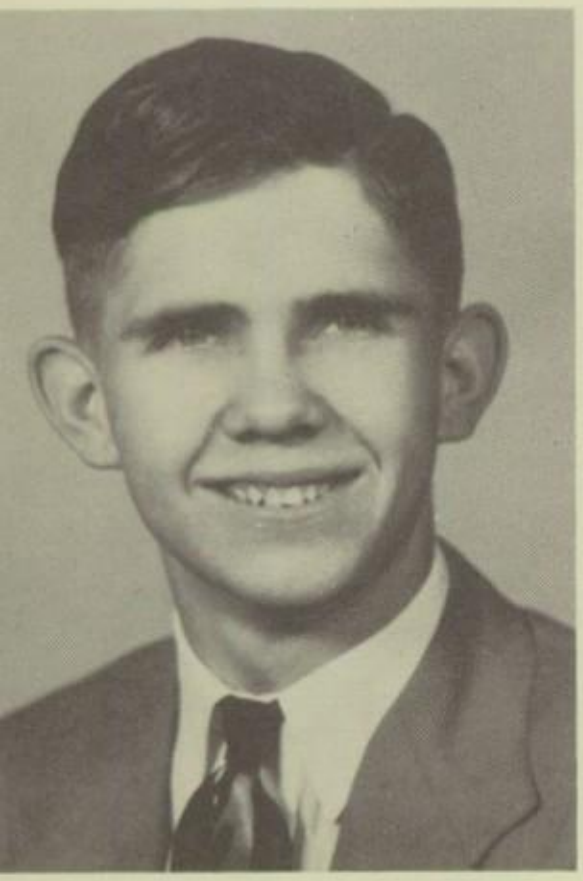
Pep Squad--1, 2, 3, 4
Leader--1
Drummer--3, 4
Basketball--1, 2, 3
Class President--3
Class Reporter--4
H.M.--1, 2, 3
Class Favorite--4
Class Queen--4

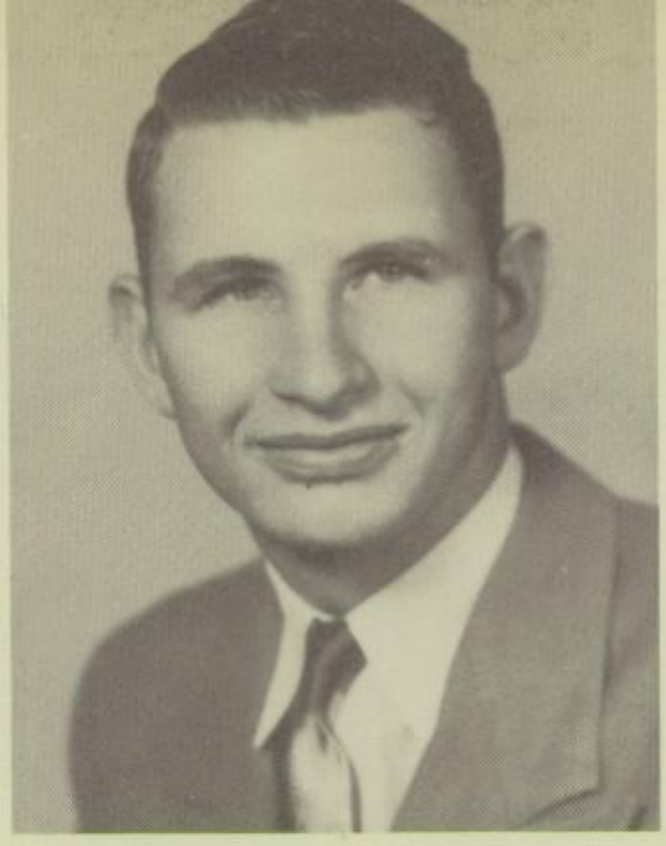
W.A. DENNIS

Football--1, 3, 4
Basketball--1
Track--2
FFA--1, 2, 3, 4
"Dub"

LEROY ARMSTRONG

V. A. --1, 2, 3, 4
Class Secy. --2
Snap Shot Editor--4
Football--1, 2
"Sprout"





BILLY GLENN YOUNG

Football--1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball--1
Track--2
V. A. --1, 2, 3, 4
FFA Treasurer--2
Sports Editor--4
Football Captain--4
"Youngun"

BOBBY TOLIVER

Basketball--3, 4
Track--3, 4
V. A. --3, 4
Annual Helper--4
Class Treasurer--4
"Cow Chip Willie"

TRANSFER

BENTON YANDELL

Football--1, 2
Basketball--1, 2, 3, 4
V. A. --1, 2, 3, 4
Track--1, 2
Football Captain--2
Class Favorite--4
Ass't. Sports Editor--4
"Tom"

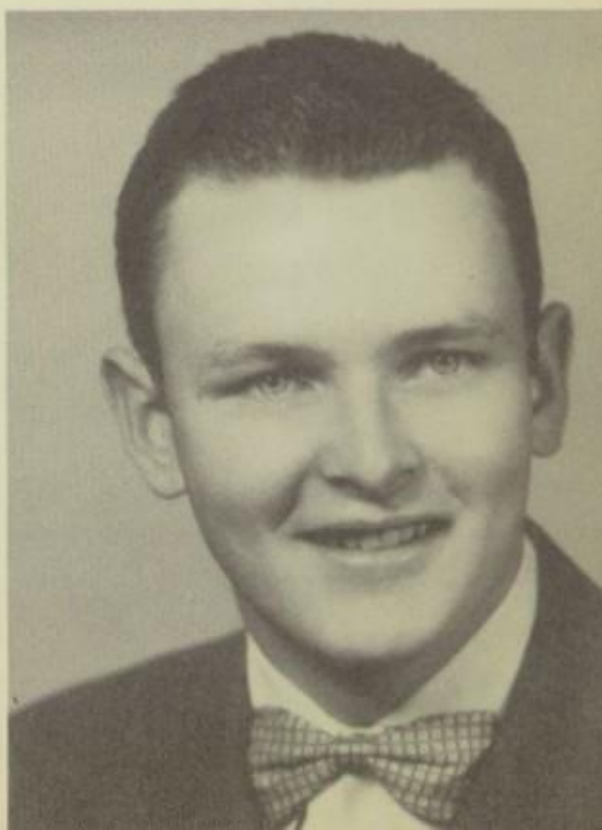
CONGRATULATIONS
SENIORS

McMurry College
Abilene, Texas

C. W. EDWARDS

Football--4
Basketball--4
Track--4
V. A. --3, 4
Annual Helper--4
"Chuck"

TRANSFER



SENIOR CLASS WILL

Known to all men, and being of sound mind and body, herein is the last will and testimony of the 1953 Senior Class of Ole Trent High.

To the Juniors, who will be seniors another year, we leave all our troubles, mistakes, arrogancy, blunders, and heartaches attained by us this, our last high school year, which has been the most exciting year yet experienced in our young lives, along with the following individual possessions!

Allen King leaves to the 1954 Gorilla Editor a shot of strychnine and to James Wilks he leaves his poor humor and hot temper.

J.M. Heatly leaves his busted lips and athletic ability to Phill Goodwin.

Amelia Martin wills her way with men and boy friends to Glenda Reynolds, and her slim figure to Sylvia Taylor.

Jimmy Winn leaves his red hair to Dallas Gore and his appetite to Bobby Barnes.

Leon Dudley leaves his sly ways and ability to lie and keep a straight face to Joe Scott.

Bill Young wills his curly hair and long eye lashes to Venita Quattlebaum.

C.W. Edwards wills his ways and means of missing classes and being late to Elton Freeman and Robert Payne.

Leroy Armstrong leaves his hot-rod driving ability to Tommy Jones.

Benton Yandell leaves his singing talent to his kid brother, Jesse.

W.A. Dennis wills his way with women and good looks to Mervin Roberts.

Bobby Toliver leaves part of his height to Shirley Carter and his pleasures of being a senior to Barbara Edwards.

To Miss Payne we leave best wishes for a happier year with a more brilliant and studious class to sponsor. Also we realize we are leaving her a few more grey hairs.

To Mr. W.B. Williams we leave an expression of gratitude and appreciation for the things he has done to make our senior year a very happy and pleasant one.

To the sophomores and freshmen we leave the art of raising a class flag and keeping it furled in the blue.

COMPLIMENTS

Ann's Beauty Shop
Merkel, Texas

Ben Franklin
Merkel, Texas

CLASS PROPHECY

Jimmy Winn is now serving as an expedition guide to the South Pole.

Billy Young is now making a living for little blonde headed kids.

Leon Dudley is often seen tending his oil wells on his estate in East Texas.

Allen King is acting as stand-in for Roy Rogers in Hollywood.

J.M. Heatly is now a comedian on television.

W.A. Dennis is typing out orders for the Wichita Valley RR.

Bobby Toliver is now a professional bull rider, and is often seen making the rodeo circut.

Benton Yandell is a well-to-do clown in the Madison Square Garden Circus.

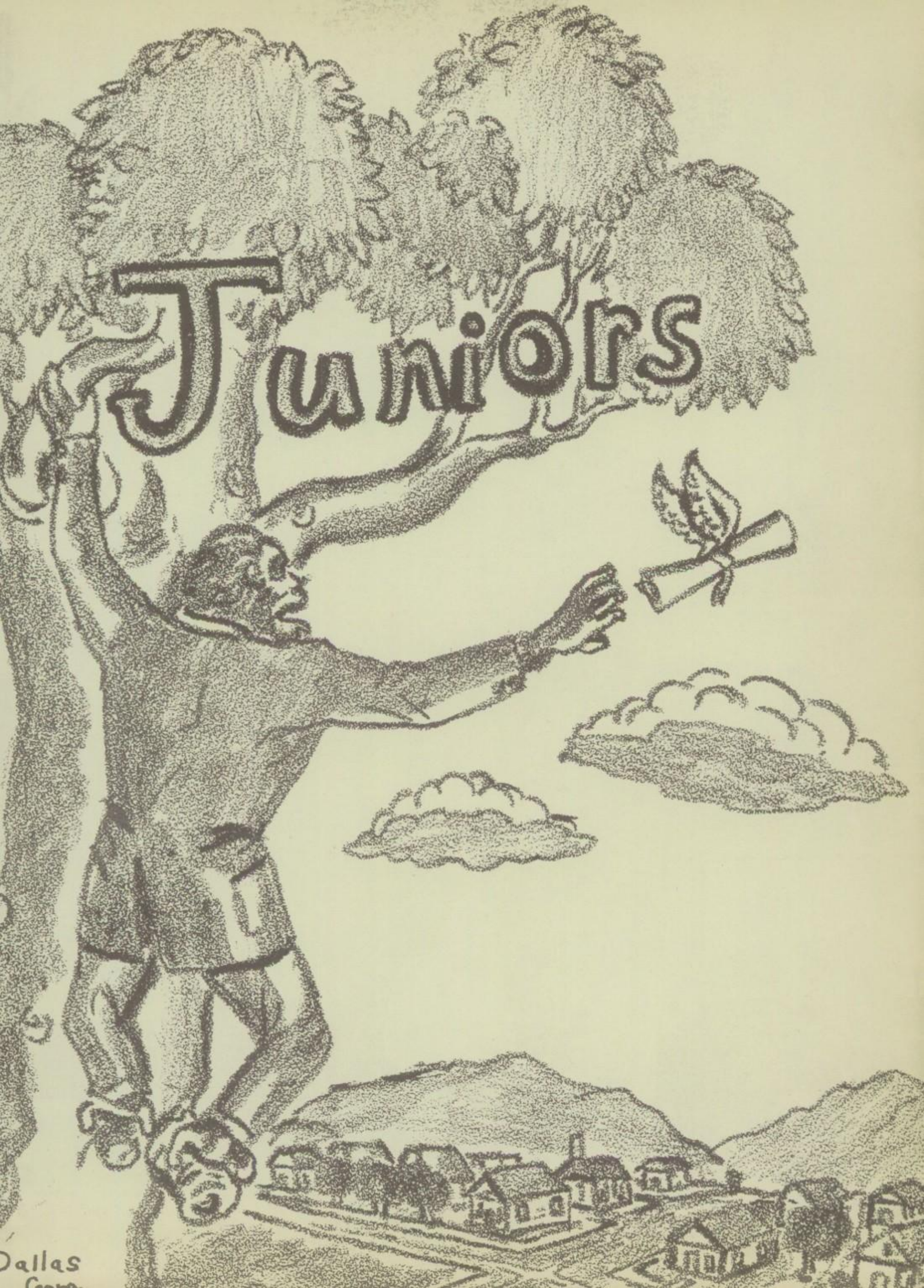
C.W. Edwards is the 999th, Jet Ace in Uncle Sam's Air Force.

Amelia Martin is the head nurse at the Sadler Clinic.

Leroy Armstrong is a very famous speedway driver for the Rockefeller family.

DOPE ON THE SENIORS

Allen D. King, Jr. (Stack) Favorite saying: Rugged ain't it!
Ambition: President of the United States.
J.M. Heatly (Stud) Favorite saying: Son of a Sawed off Sea Biscuit!
Ambition: A pipe wrench handler.
Amelia Faye Martin (Amy) Favorite saying: Oh my goodness!
Ambition: Nurse
Leroy Armstrong (Sprout) Favorite saying: You bet!
Ambition: Big family man.
Jimmy Winn (Booger) Favorite saying: I'll be a suck egg Mule!
Ambition: Wild Game Hunter.
Billy Glenn Young (Youngun) Favorite saying: Crap!
Ambition: Rancher
Bobby Toliver (Cow Chip Willie) Favorite saying: Aw Heck!
Ambition: Oil Field Worker.
W.A. Dennis (Dub) Favorite saying: Son!
Ambition: Depot agent.
C.W. Edwards (Chuck) Favorite saying: Shoot, Yeah!
Ambition: Jet Flyer.
Benton Yandell (Tom) Favorite saying: Son of a Gun!
Ambition: Road Constructor.
Leon Dudley (Jess) Favorite saying: By George!
Ambition: Electrician


Juniors
Dallas

Richard Leverich

Phil Goodwin

Robert Payne

Joe Scott

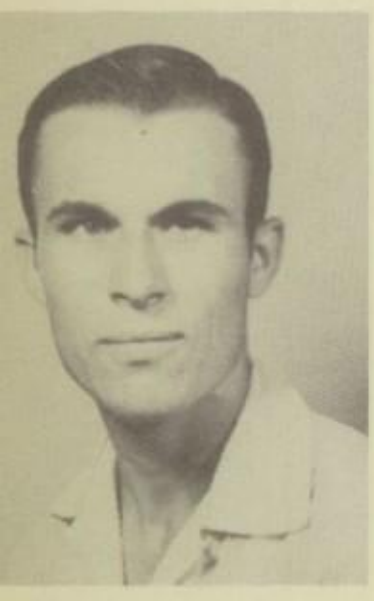
Lila Ruth Bell

James Lewis Wilks

Barbara Edwards

Venita Quattlebaum

Shirley Carter



Jesse Yandell

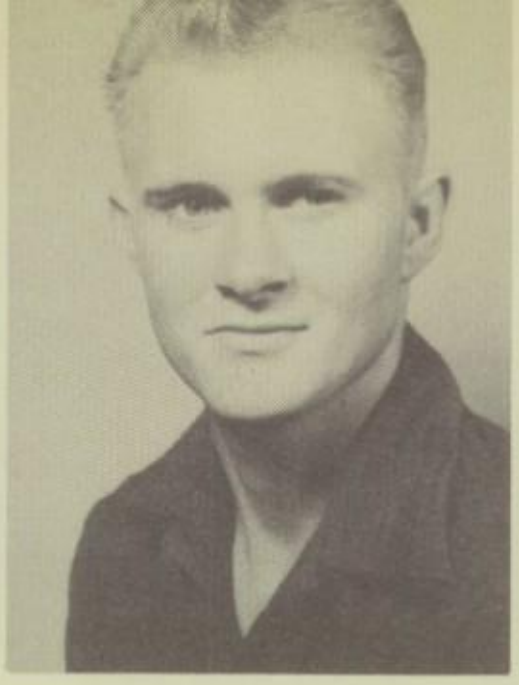
Elton Freeman

Sue McRee

Bobby Barnes

Dallas Gore

Felipa Acuna



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Bobbye Ann Dudley

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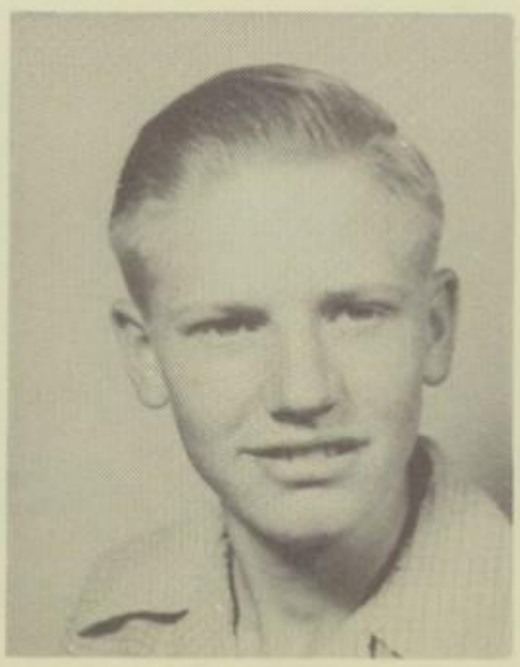
"Great today, Greater Tomorrow"

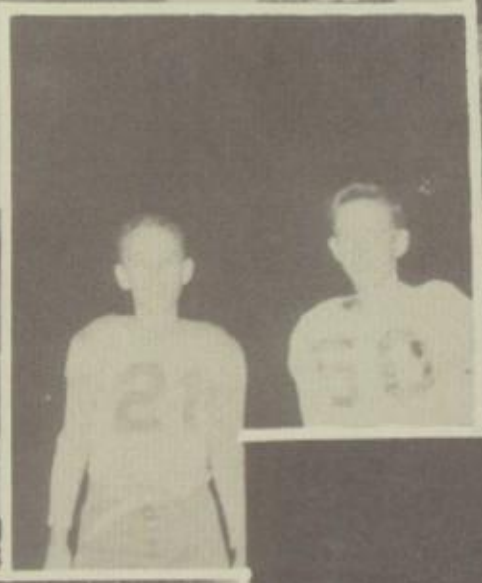
Glenda Reynolds

Mervin Roberts



Tommy Jones

Sylvia Taylor



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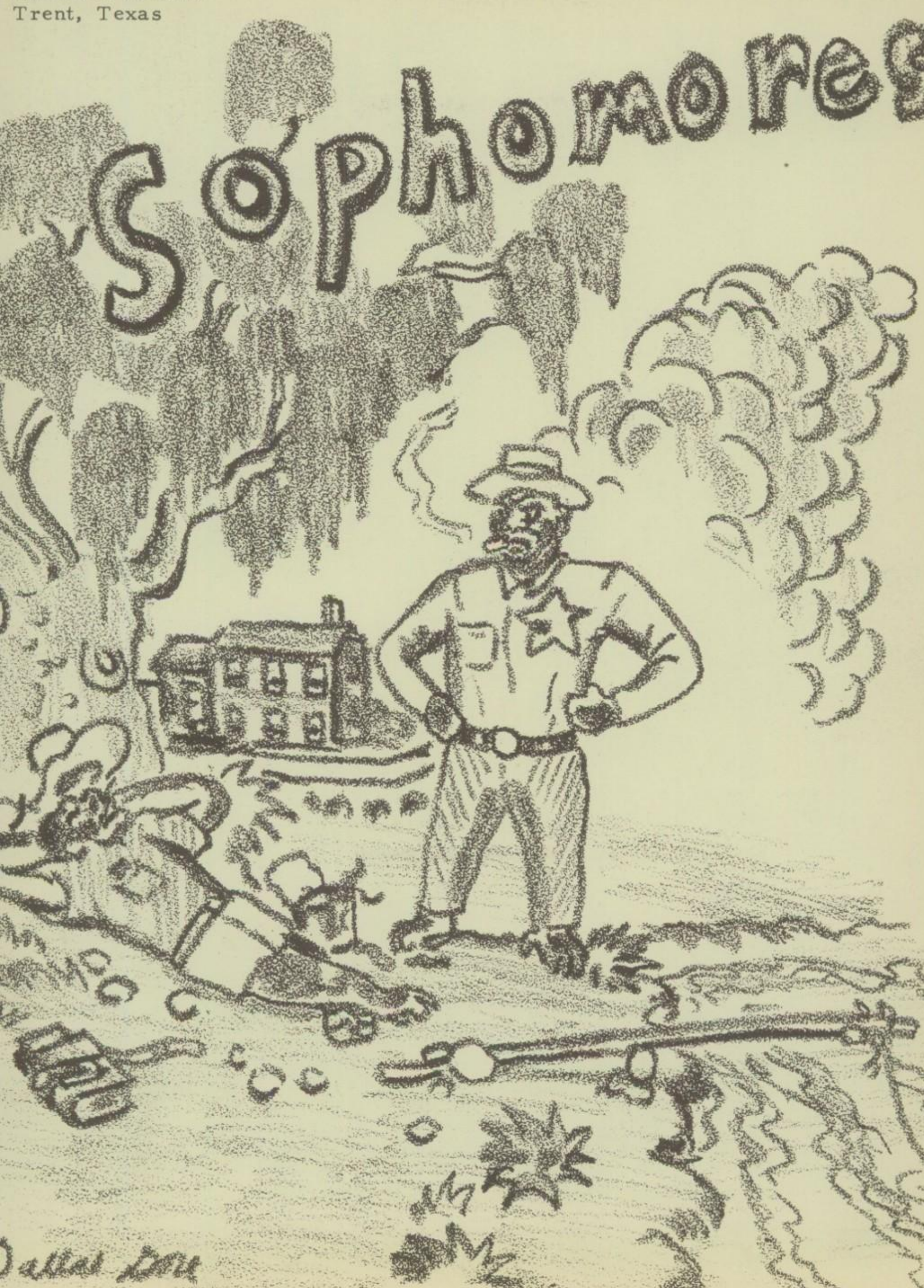
Best Deal In Town
Merkel, Texas

Sophomores



Zana Young

Sherman Driggers

Yvonne Martin

Jerrell Butman

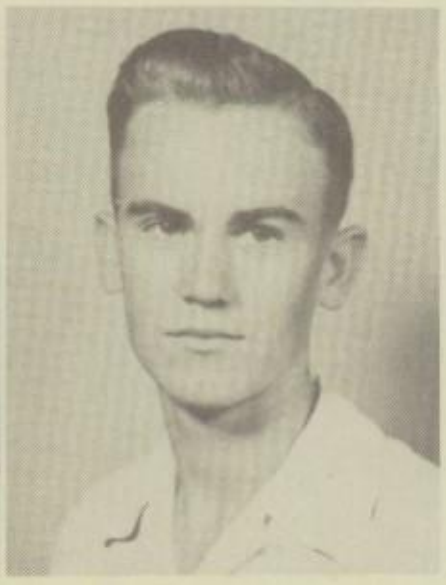
Dayne Ambrose

Jerry McWilliams

Cora Mae Yandell

J.B. Swinney

Neleta Hale



Ronnie Freeman

Martha Koen

Tommy Toliver

Barbara Washburn

Carolyn McRee

Betty Payne

Jerry Estep

Ola Frances Rhynes

Petra Acuna

Freshman

WANDA'S FLORIST JOYCE'S FABRIC
Merkel, Texas

Dustin Dee

Jane Williams

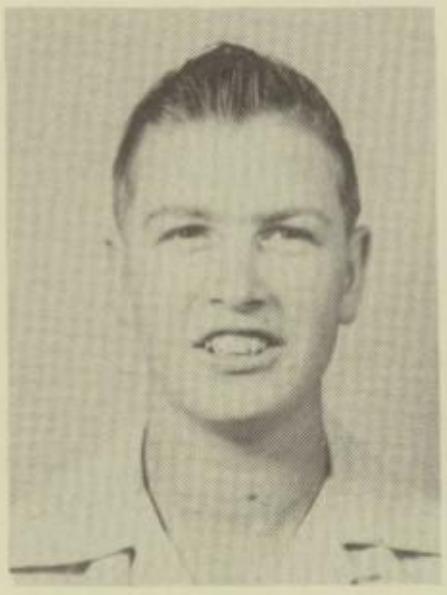
Jerry Horton

Kay Beasley

Judy Steadman

John Stowe

Nancy Jones



Eudell Hodges

Sharon Terry

Donald Kelso

Beatrice Smith

Glendol Martin

Melba Roberts

Glynn Brown

Nancy Powers

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Thelda Hamner

Annie May Morris

Edna Weatherford

Joyce Parsons

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Merkel, Texas

Favorites

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BOBBYE ANN DUDLEY

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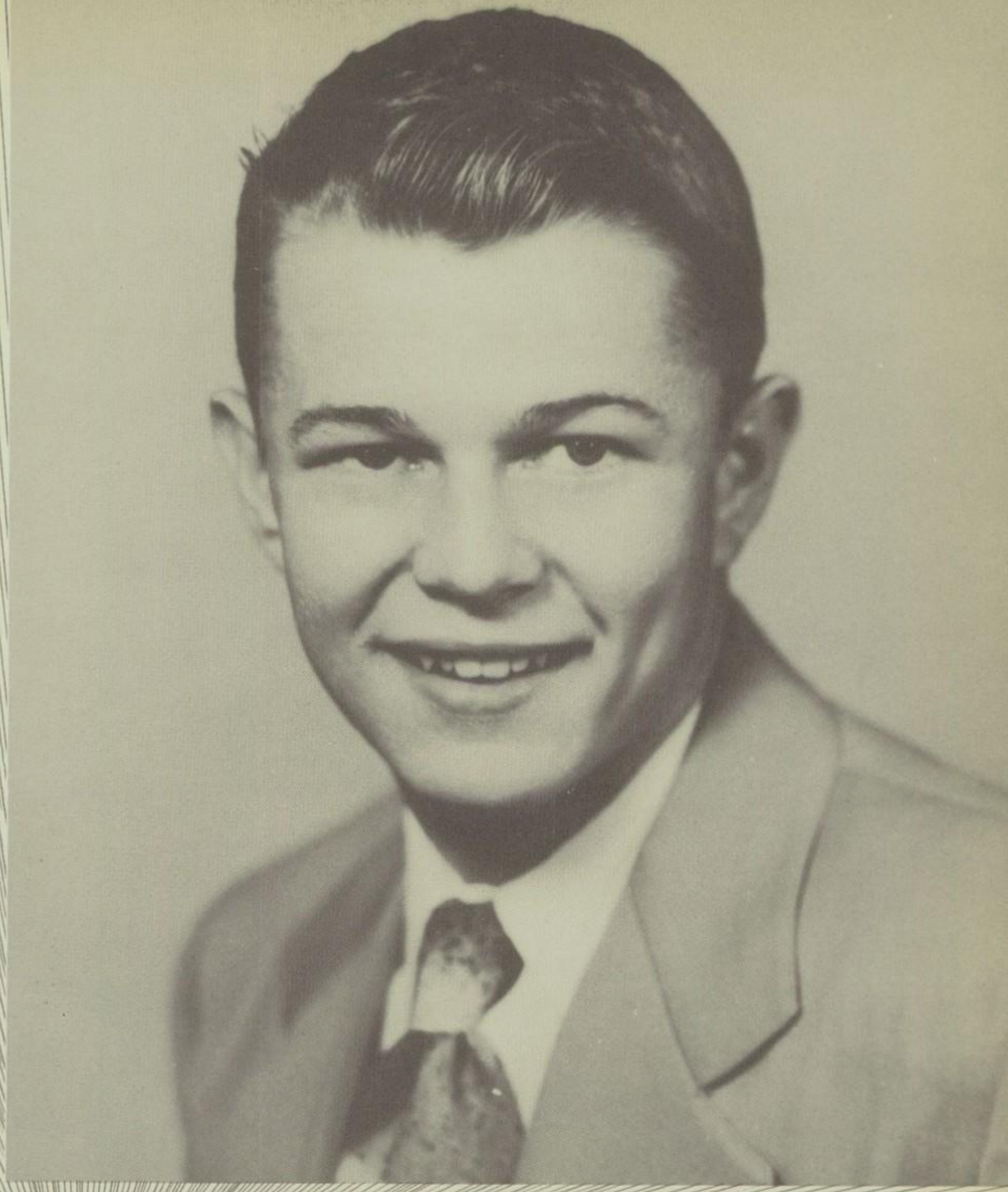
THORNTON'S
A City Within Itself
Abilene, Texas



MOST POPULAR

JOE SCOTT

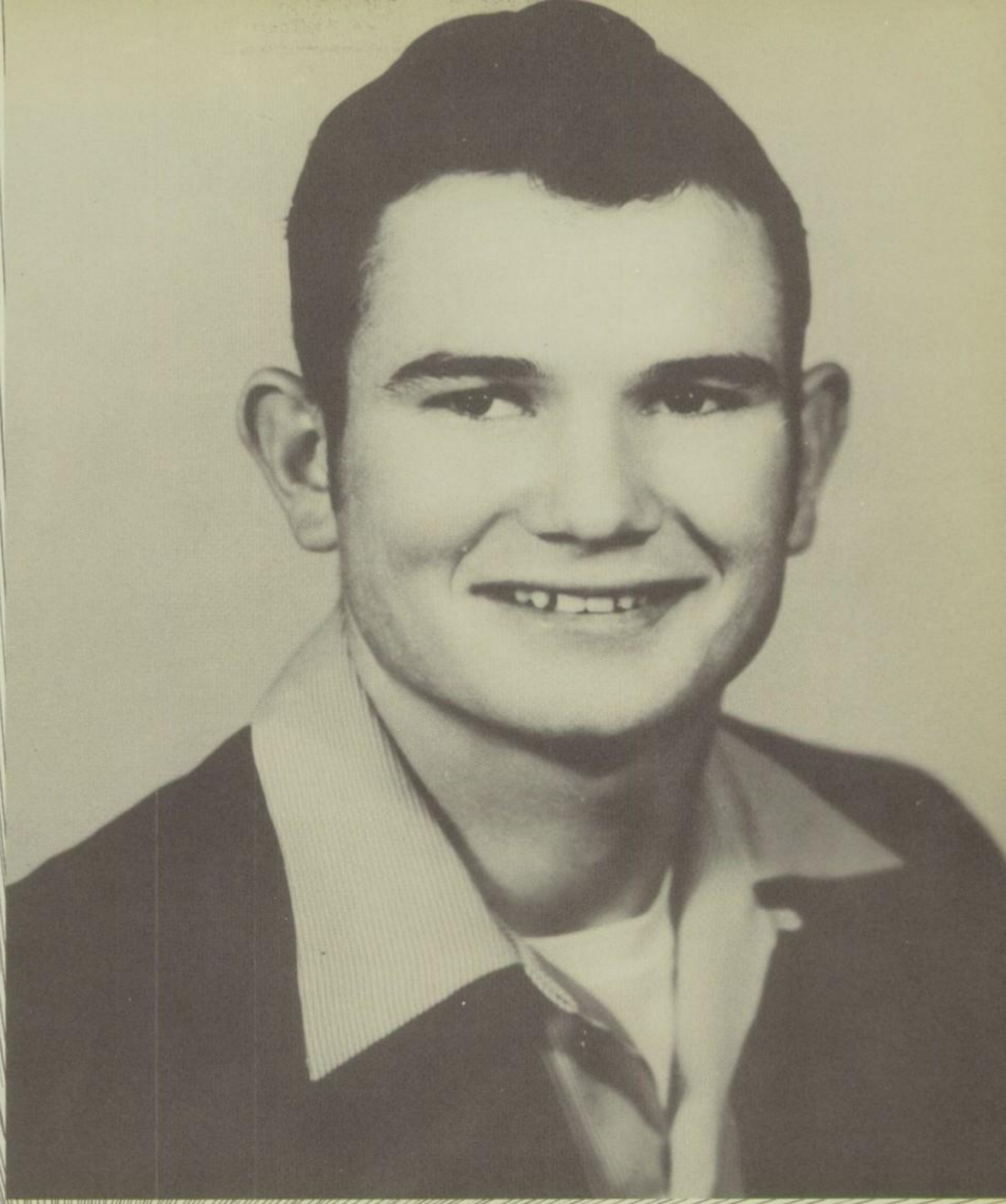
COURTESY

STARBUCK FURNITURE CO.
Merkel, Texas

BEST ALL-AROUND

BARBARA EDWARDS

COMPLIMENTS
DIXIE PIG
Abilene, Texas



BEST ALL-AROUND

J. M. HEATLY

COMPLIMENTS
MERKEL, DRUG
Merkel, Texas

HIGH SCHOOL CLASS FAVORITES

SENIORS
AMELIA MARTIN & BENTON YANDELL

JUNIORS
BOBBYE DUDLEY & JOE SCOTT

SOPHOMORES
TOMMY TOLIVER & YVONNE MARTIN

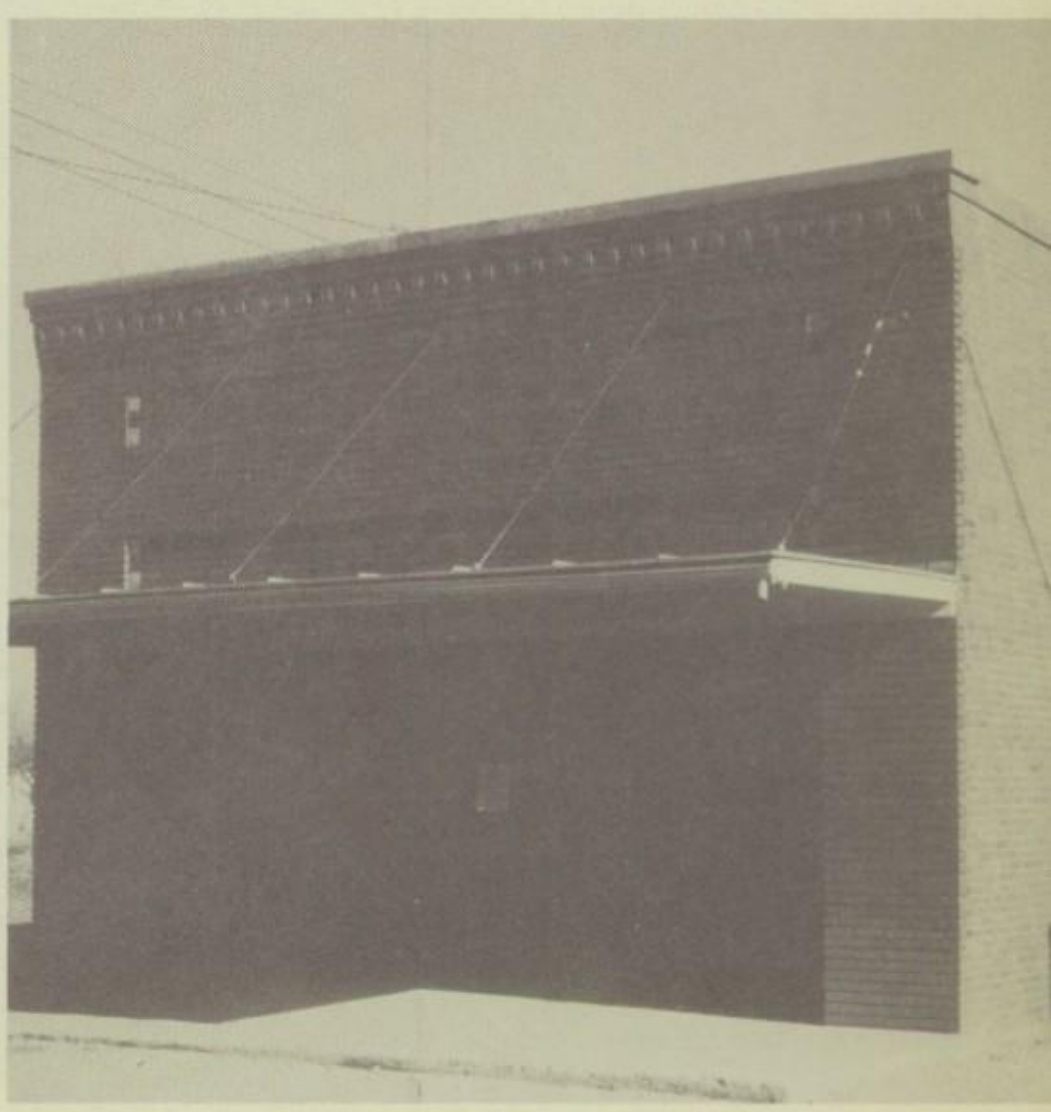
FRESHMEN
JERRY HORTON & SHARON TERRY

COURTESY, DUB CARRIKER GROCERY MARKET
Trent, Texas

FOOTBALL HERO AND SWEETHEART
Venita Quattlebaum & Leon Dudley

HARVEST QUEENS
Nancy Powers & Lynda Dudley

FHA ROMEO AND FFA SWEETHEART
Jesse Yandell & Jane Williams



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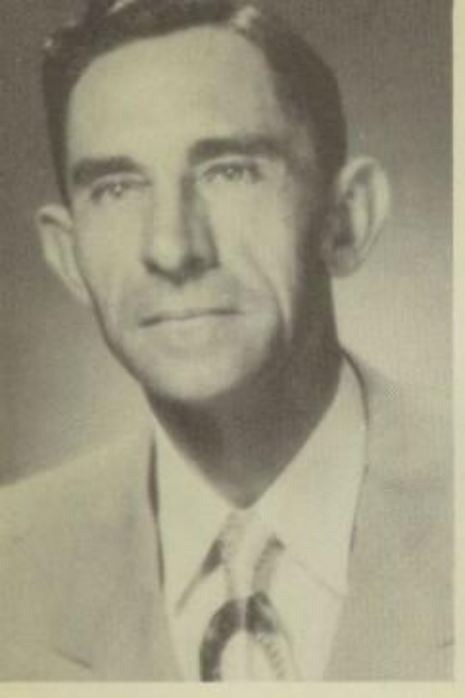
ADRIAN AND WILKS INS. AGENCY
Trent, Texas



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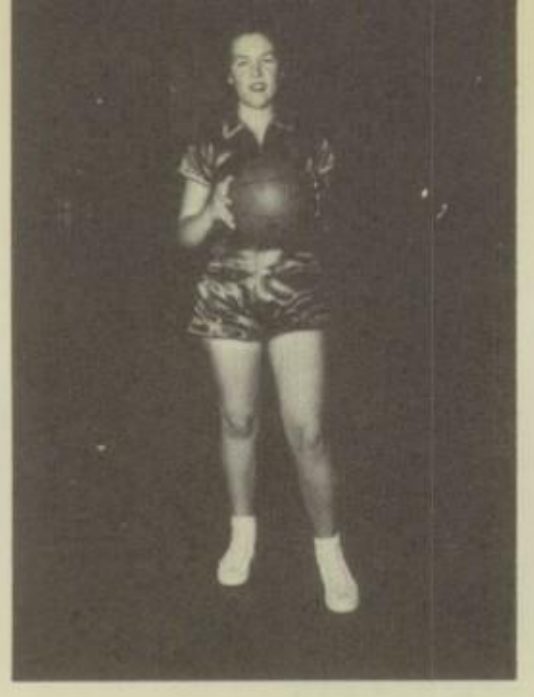
W.B. Williams



Betty Payne
Forward

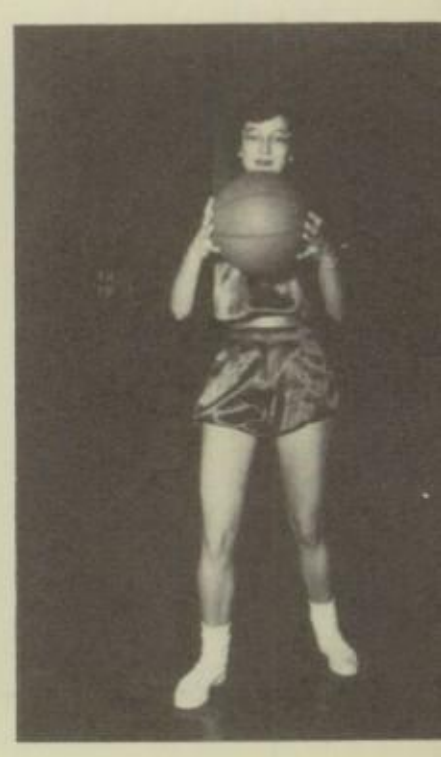
Barbara Edwards
Guard

Venita Quattlebaum
Forward

Bobbye Dudley
Guard

Sue McRee
Forward

Yvonne Martin
Guard



Sylvia Taylor
Forward

Glenda Reynolds
Guard

Shirley Carter
Forward

Barbara Washburn
Guard

Nancy Jones
Guard

Kay Beasley--Forward (not pictured)

COURTESY ---CASEY'S AAA DRIVE-IN Abilene, Texas

Otto Ito

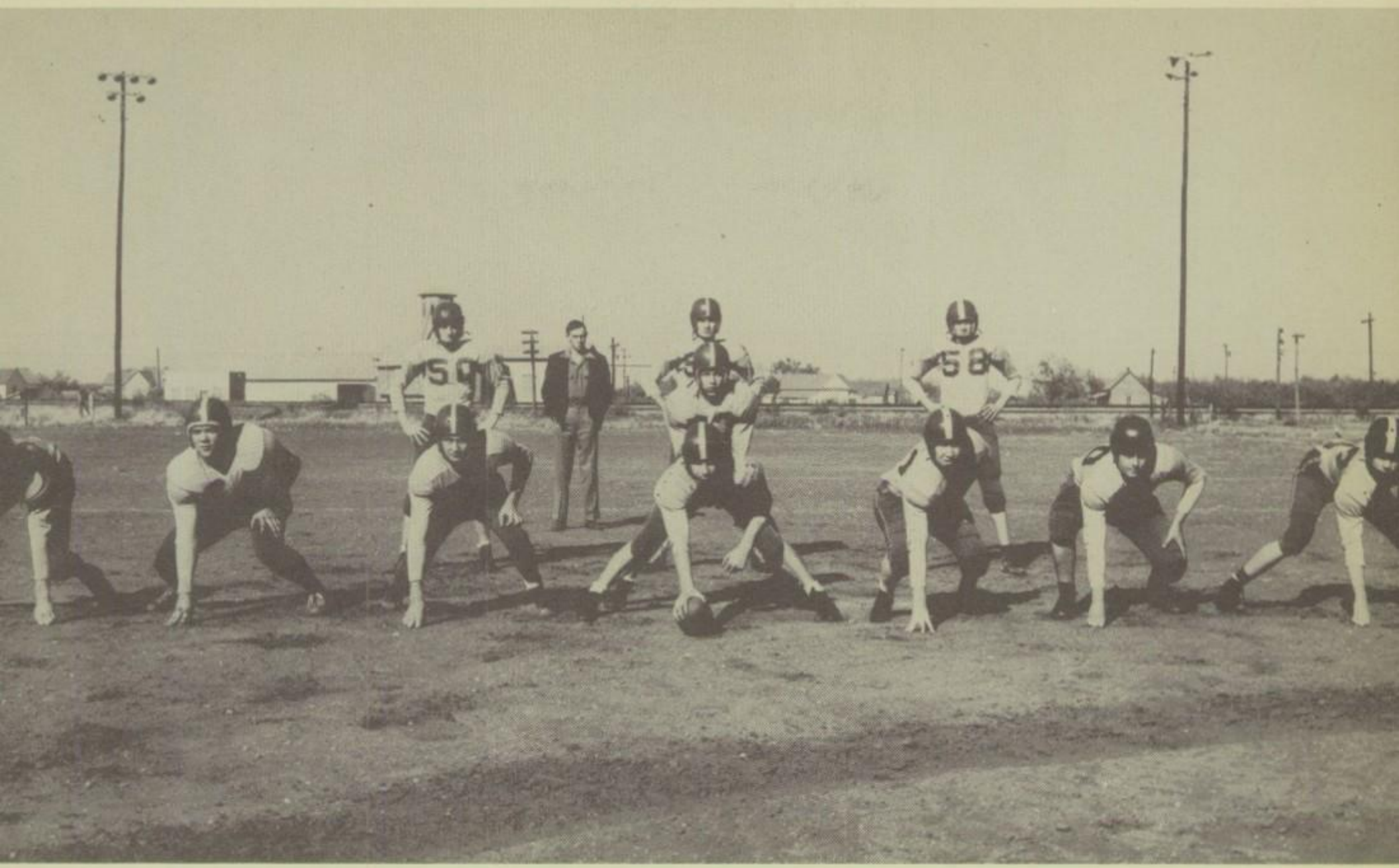
PEP SQUAD, FOOTBALL HERO, AND SPONSOR-- Sarah M. Payne

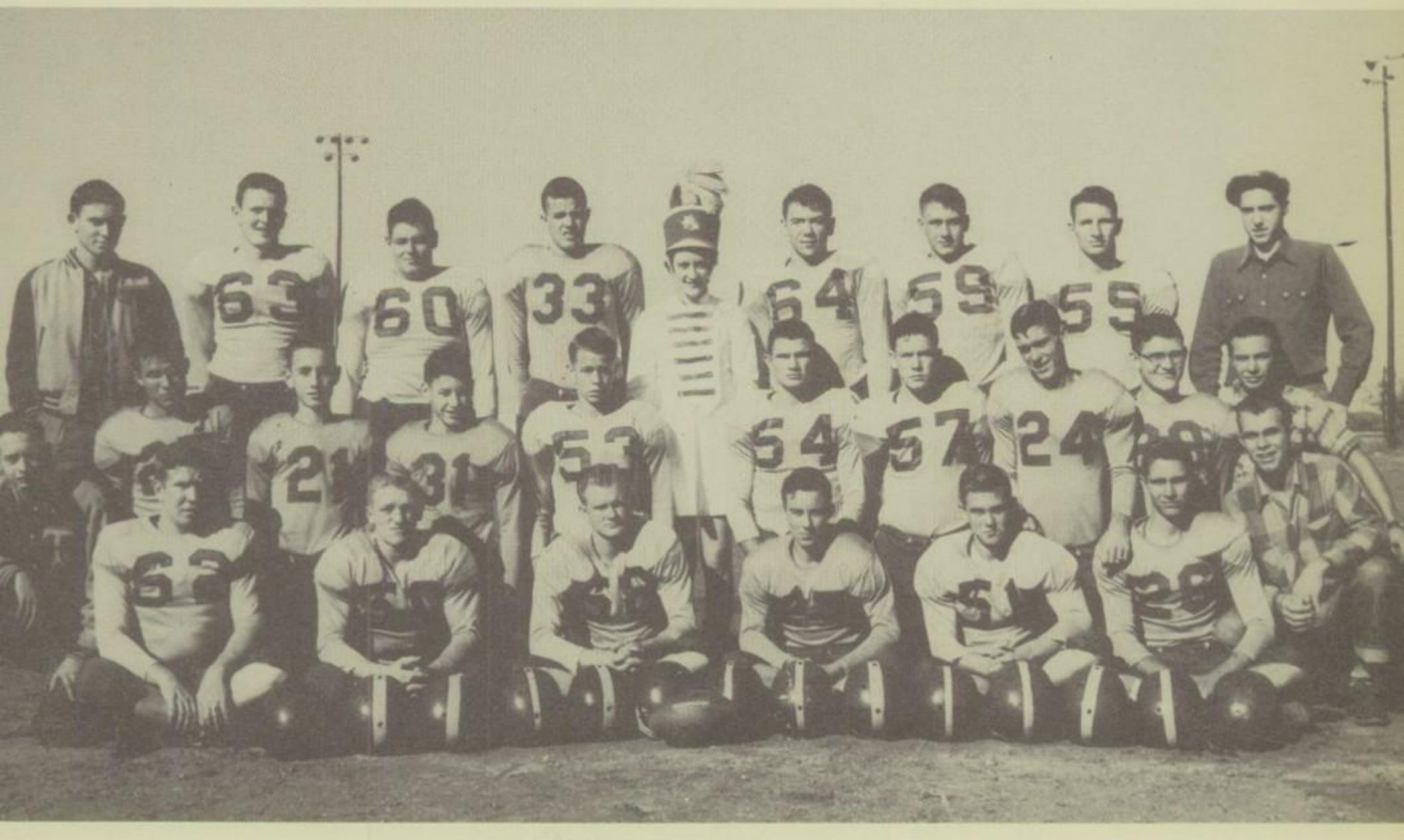
MAJORETTES: Sue McRee, Venita Quattlebaum.

LEADERS: Sylvia Taylor, Barbara Edwards, and Betty Payne
MASCOTS: Kay McWilliams and (not pictured) Ricky McElmurry.

Compliments: WOOZY'S CAFE
MERKEL, TEXAS

FOOTBALL OFFENSIVE LINE UP AND SQUAD

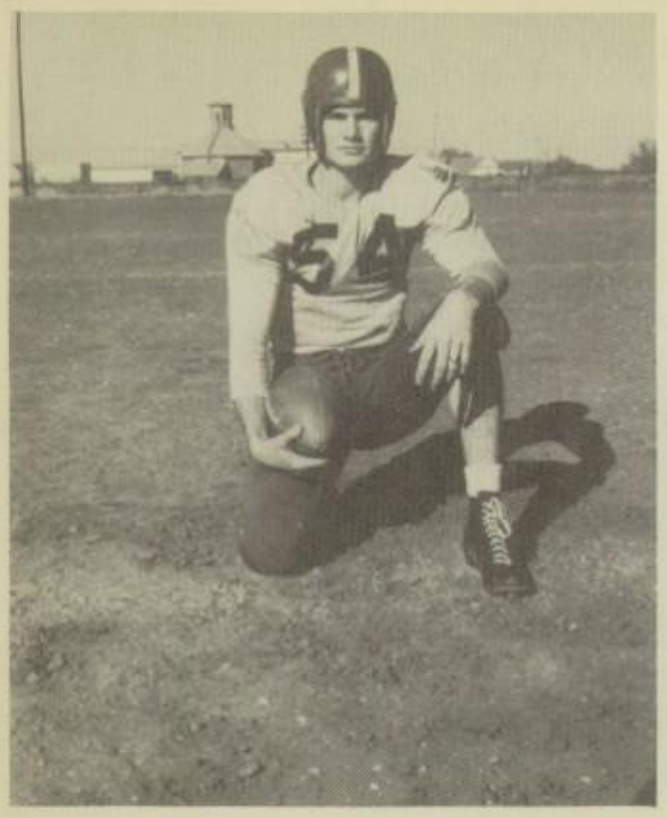




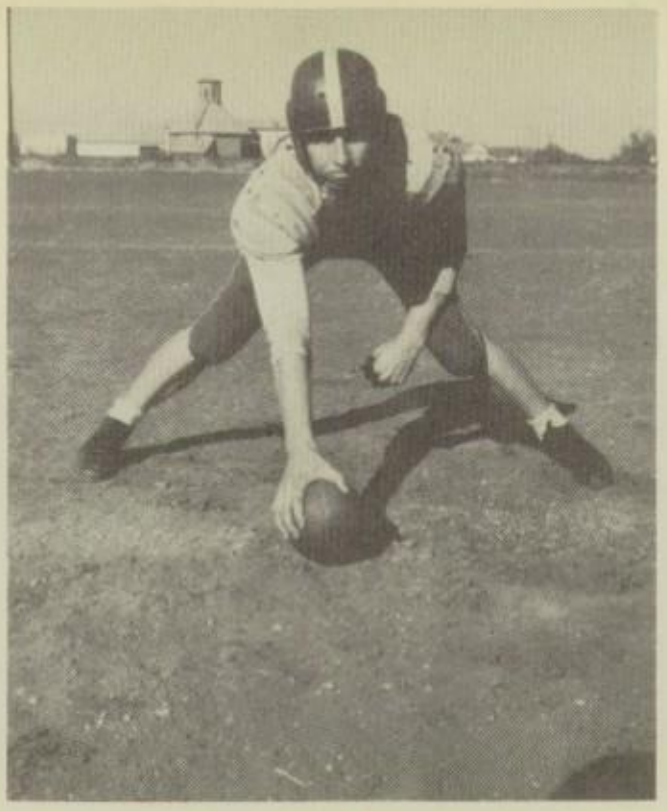
COMPLIMENTS

T.D. Scott
Humble Gas
Trent, Texas

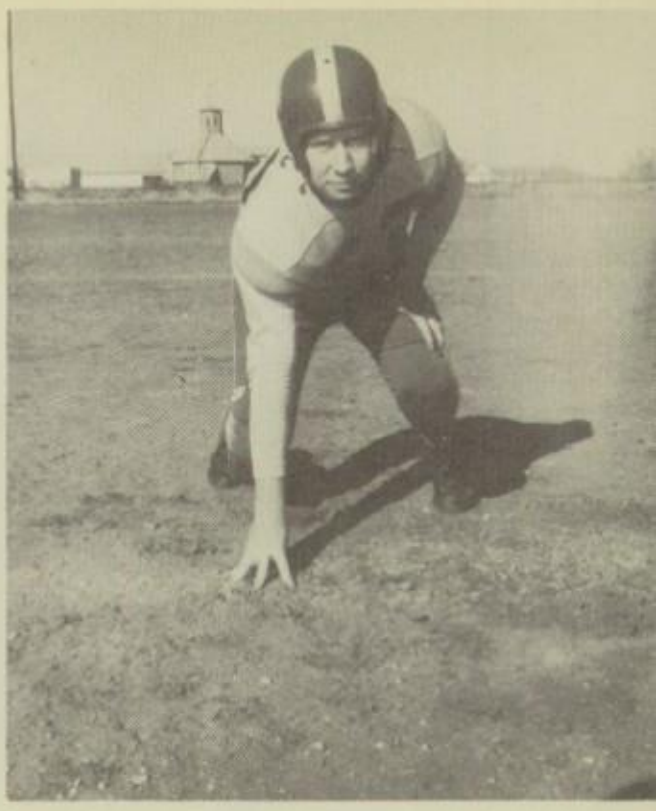
Grif Barnett
Cosden Products (Wholesale)
Merkel, Texas



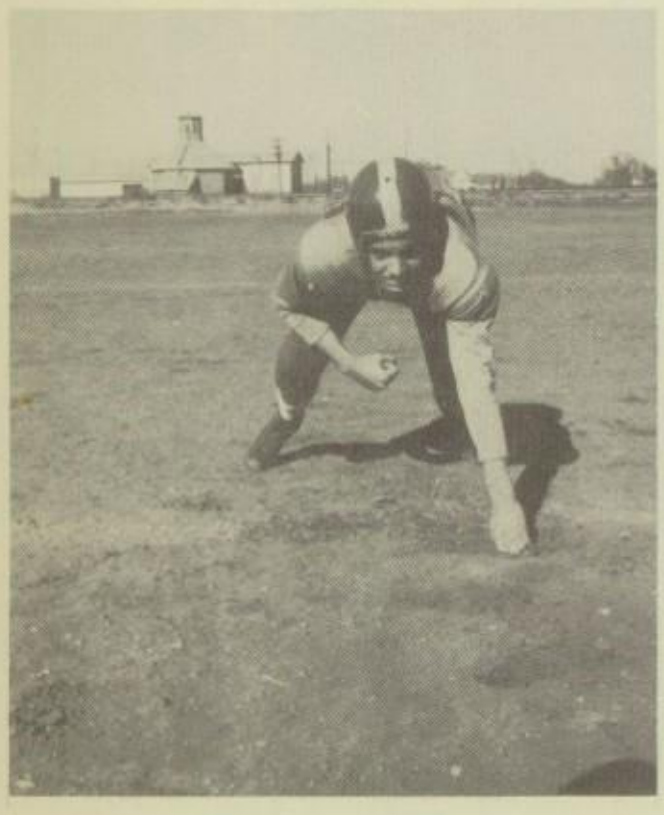
J. M. HEATLY
Fullback



BILLY YOUNG
Center



JIMMY WINN
Left-Guard



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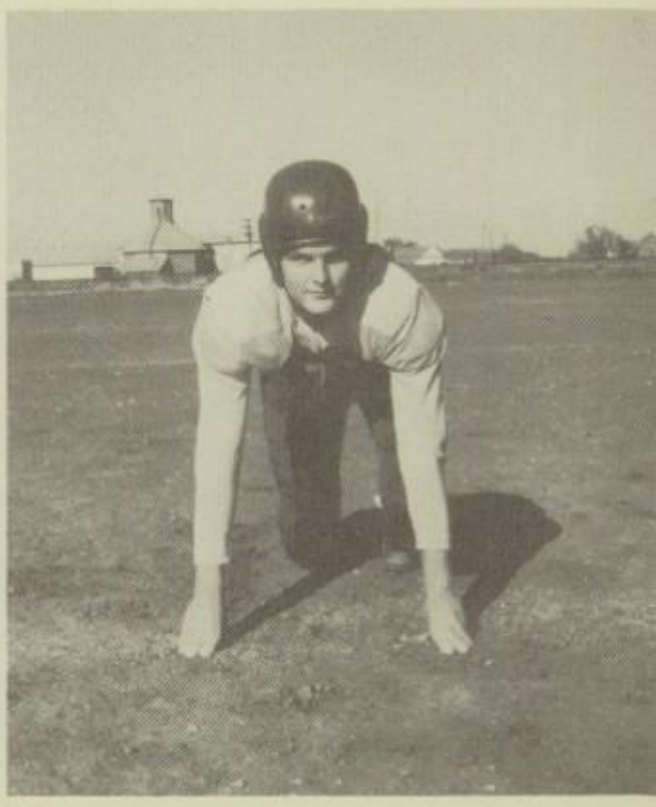

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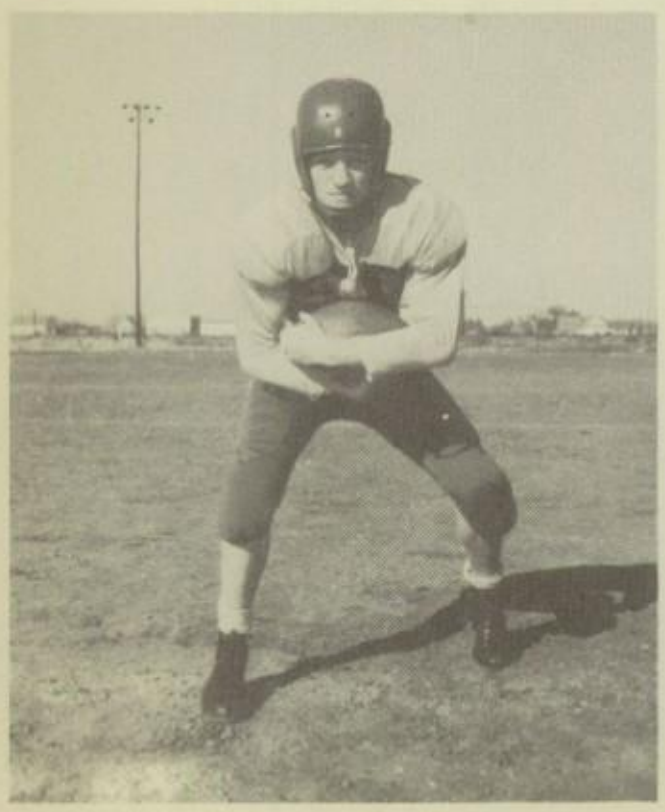

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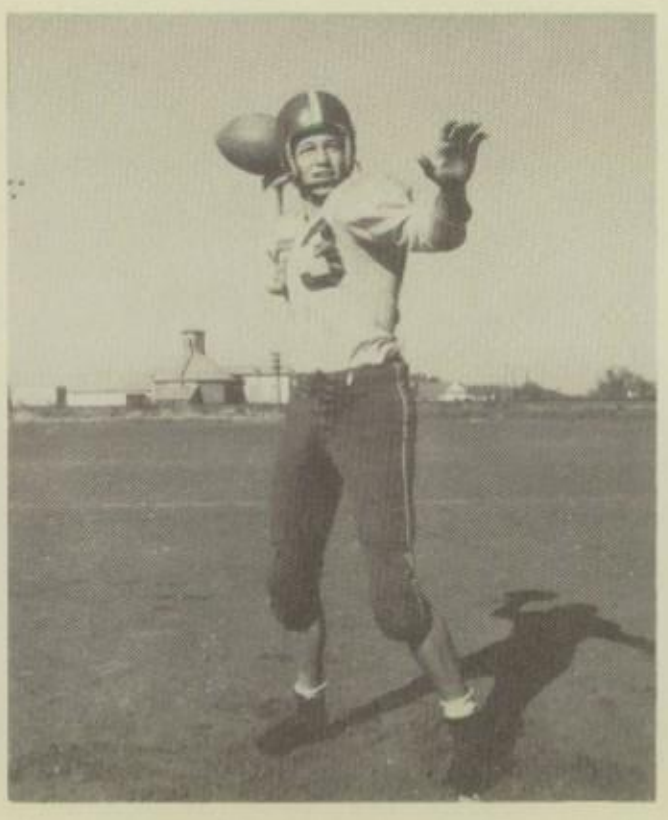

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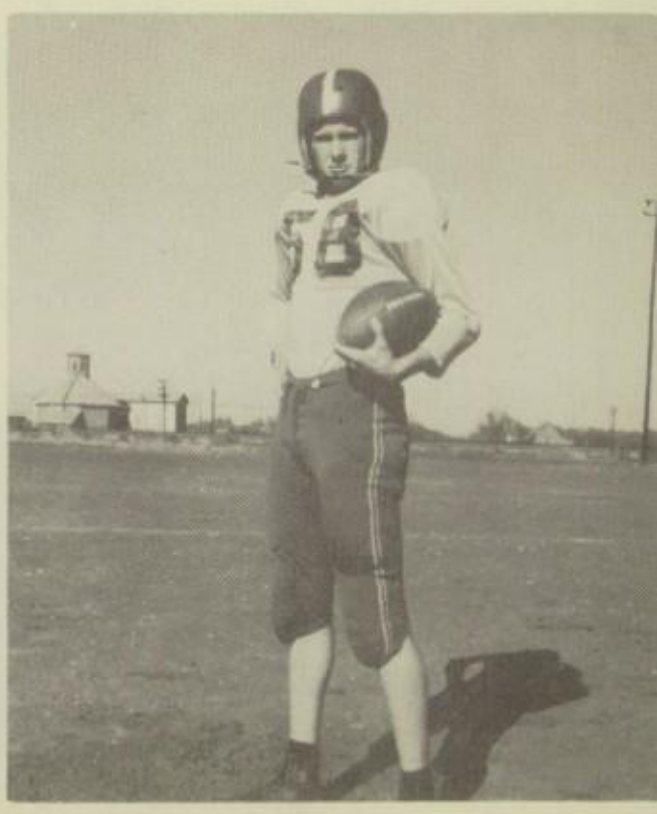

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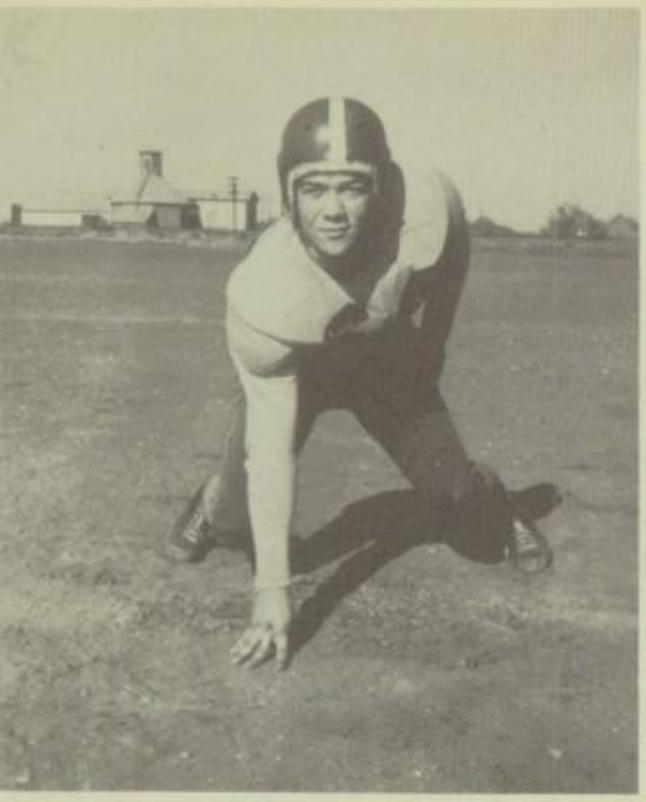

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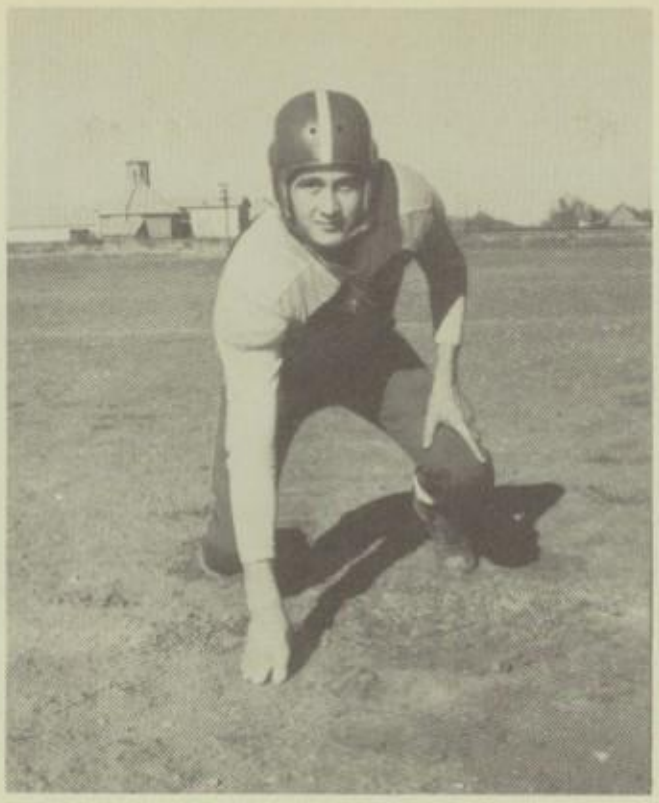

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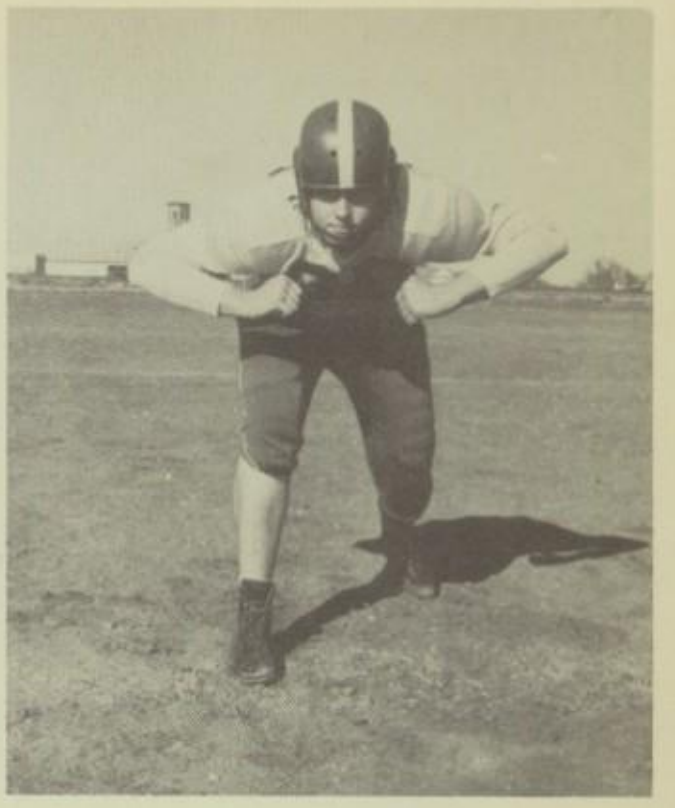

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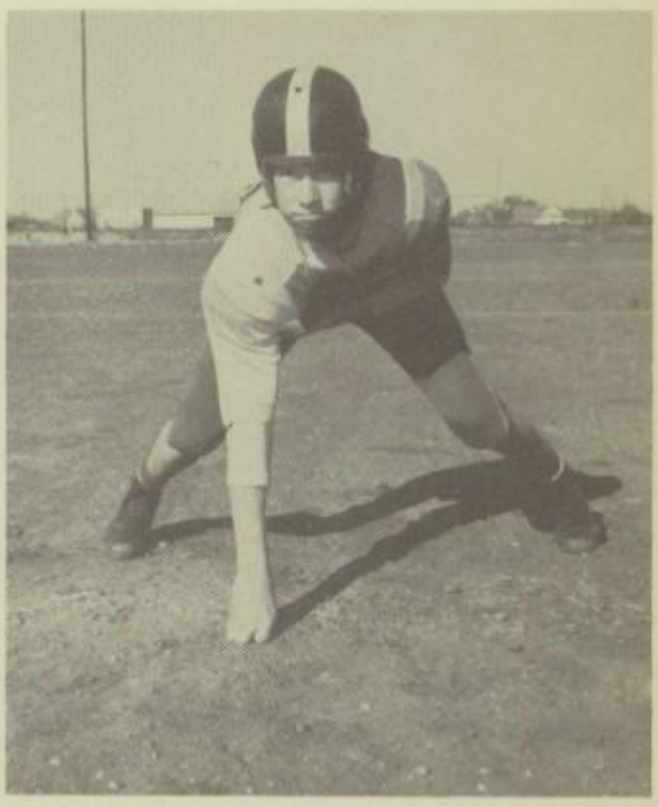
COACH: Bill Everett
CAPTAINS: Van Graham, and Bill Young



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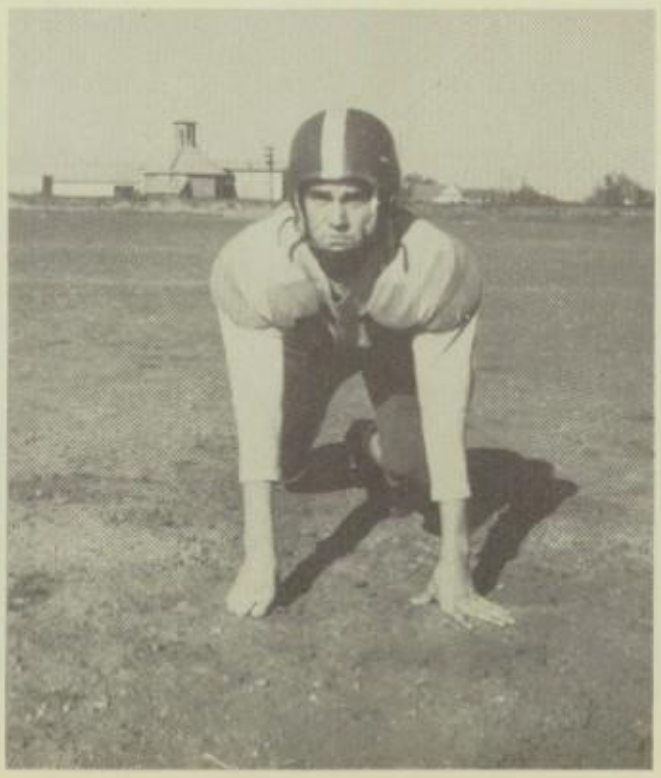

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JESSE YANDELL
Right-End

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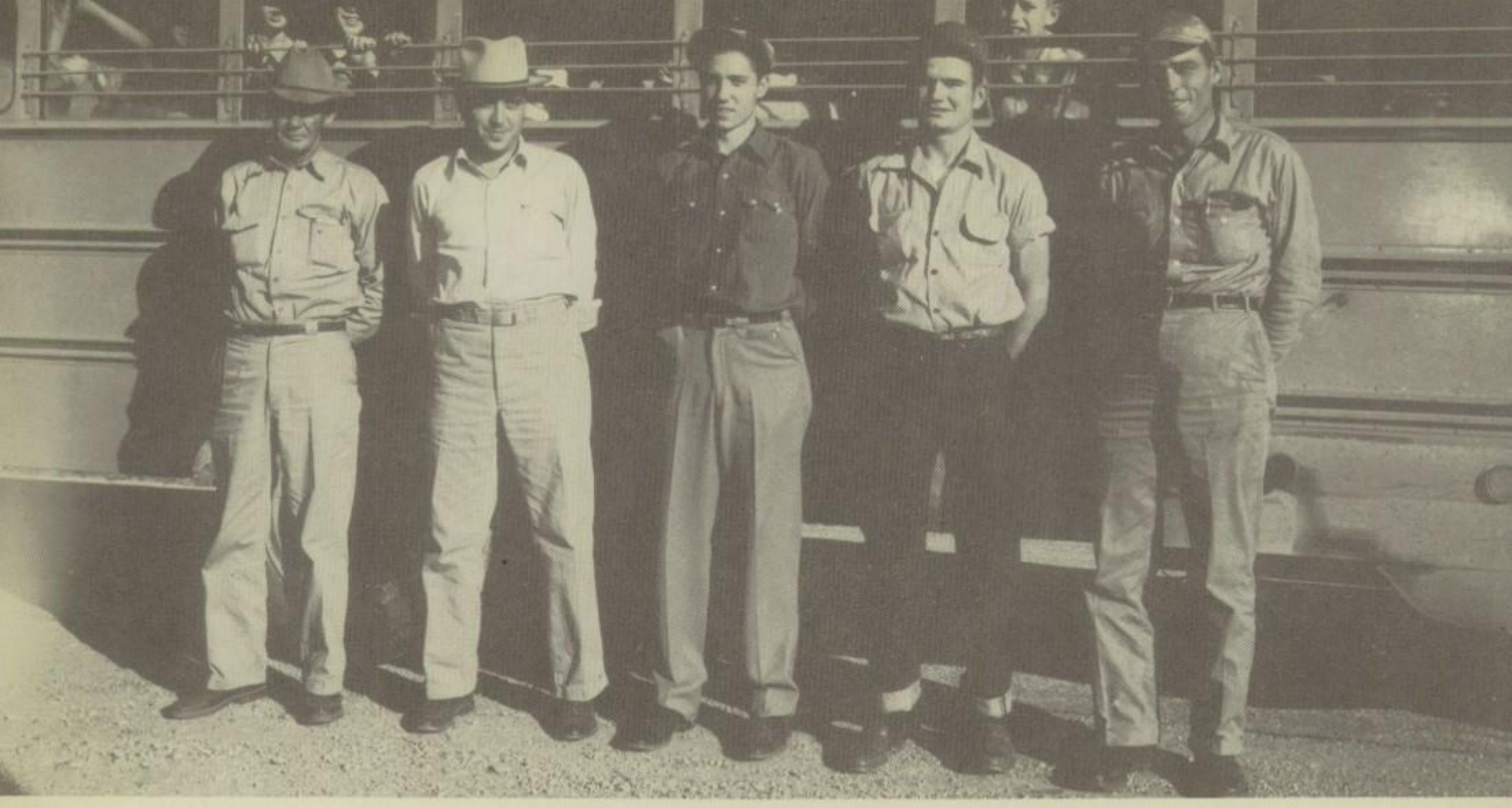

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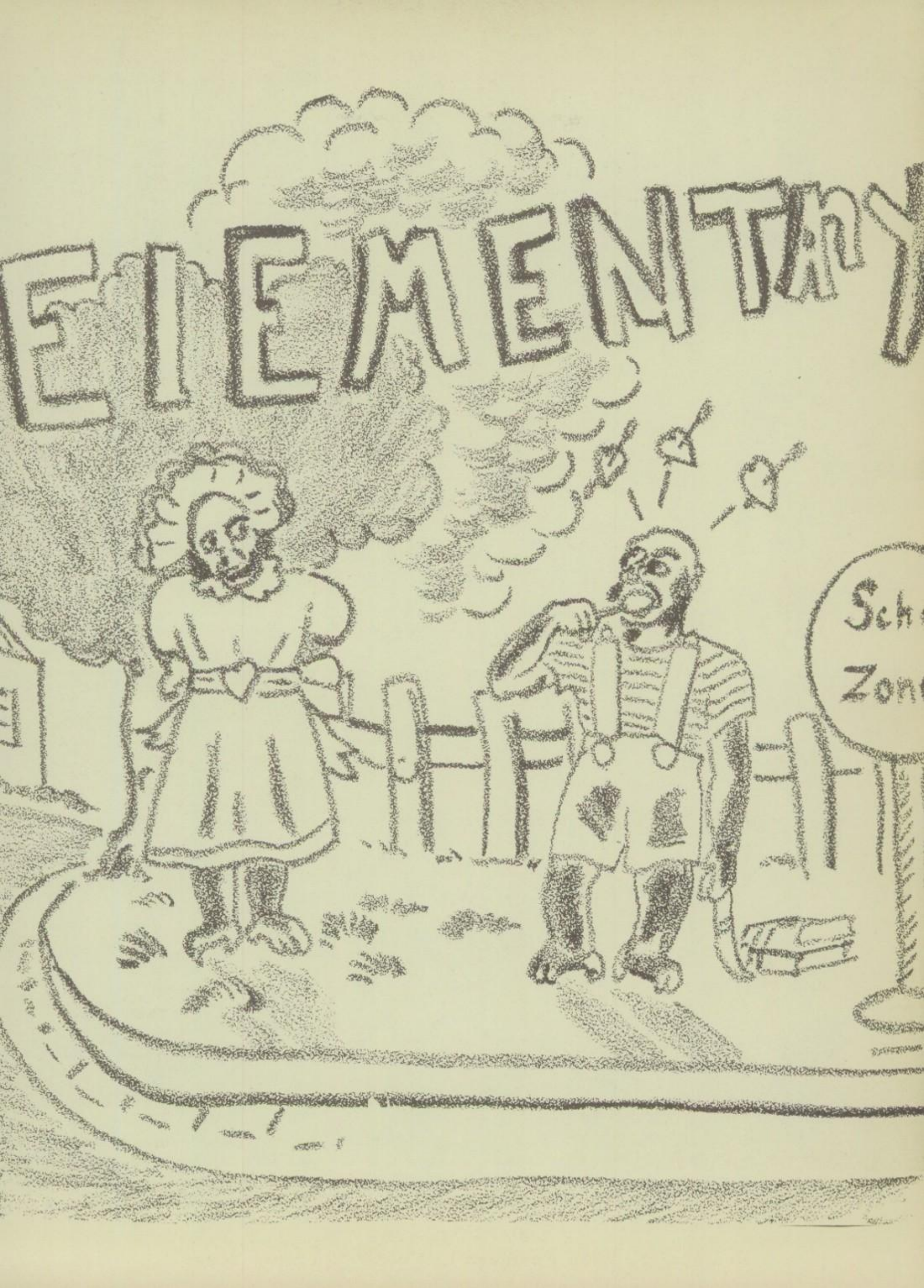
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Eugene Kegans

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Robert Strawn Seago

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Johnny Heatly

Jack Horton

Buddy King

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Zane Powers

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Glendal Payne

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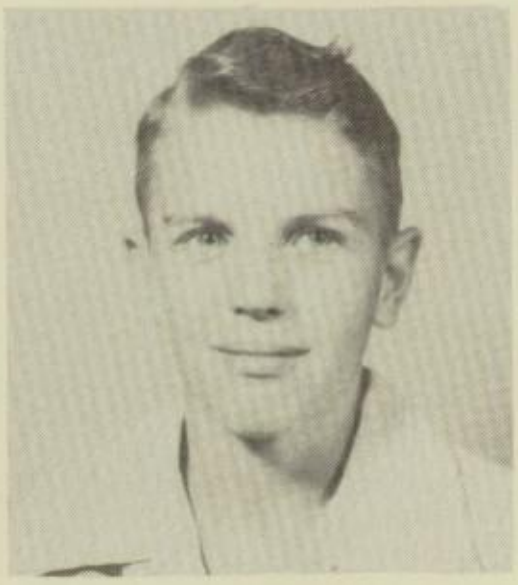

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Doyle Vinson

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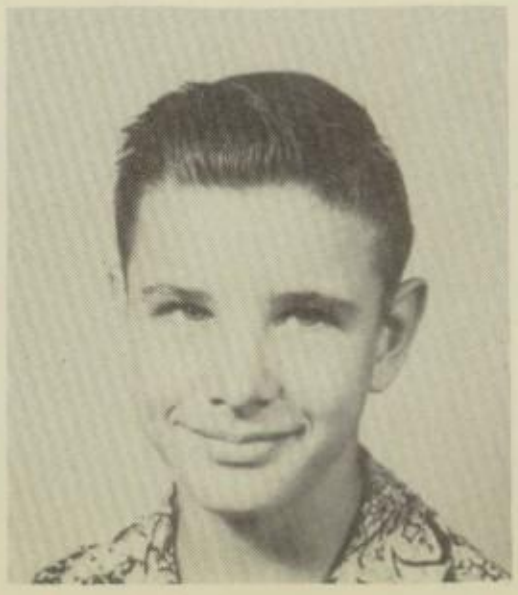

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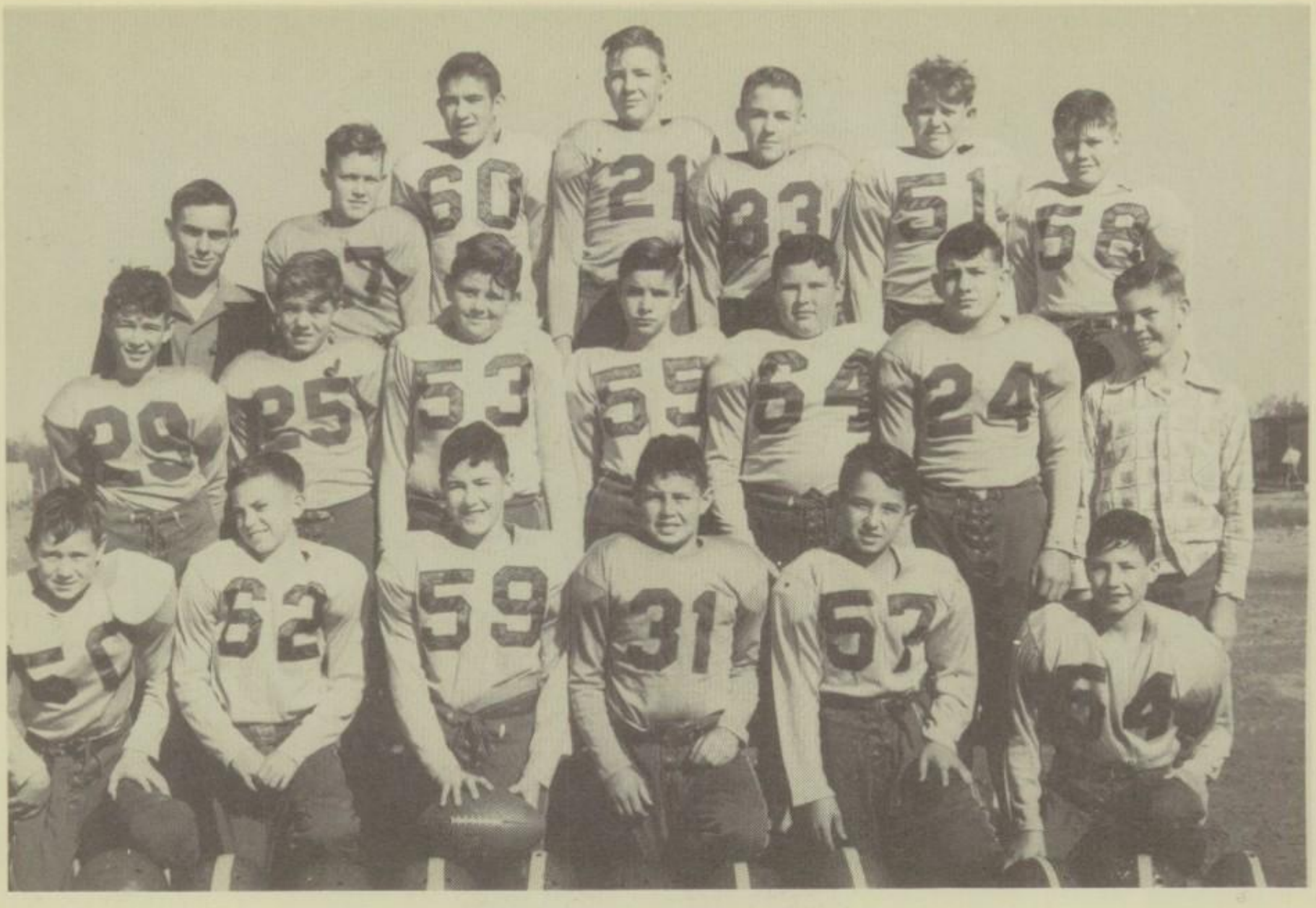

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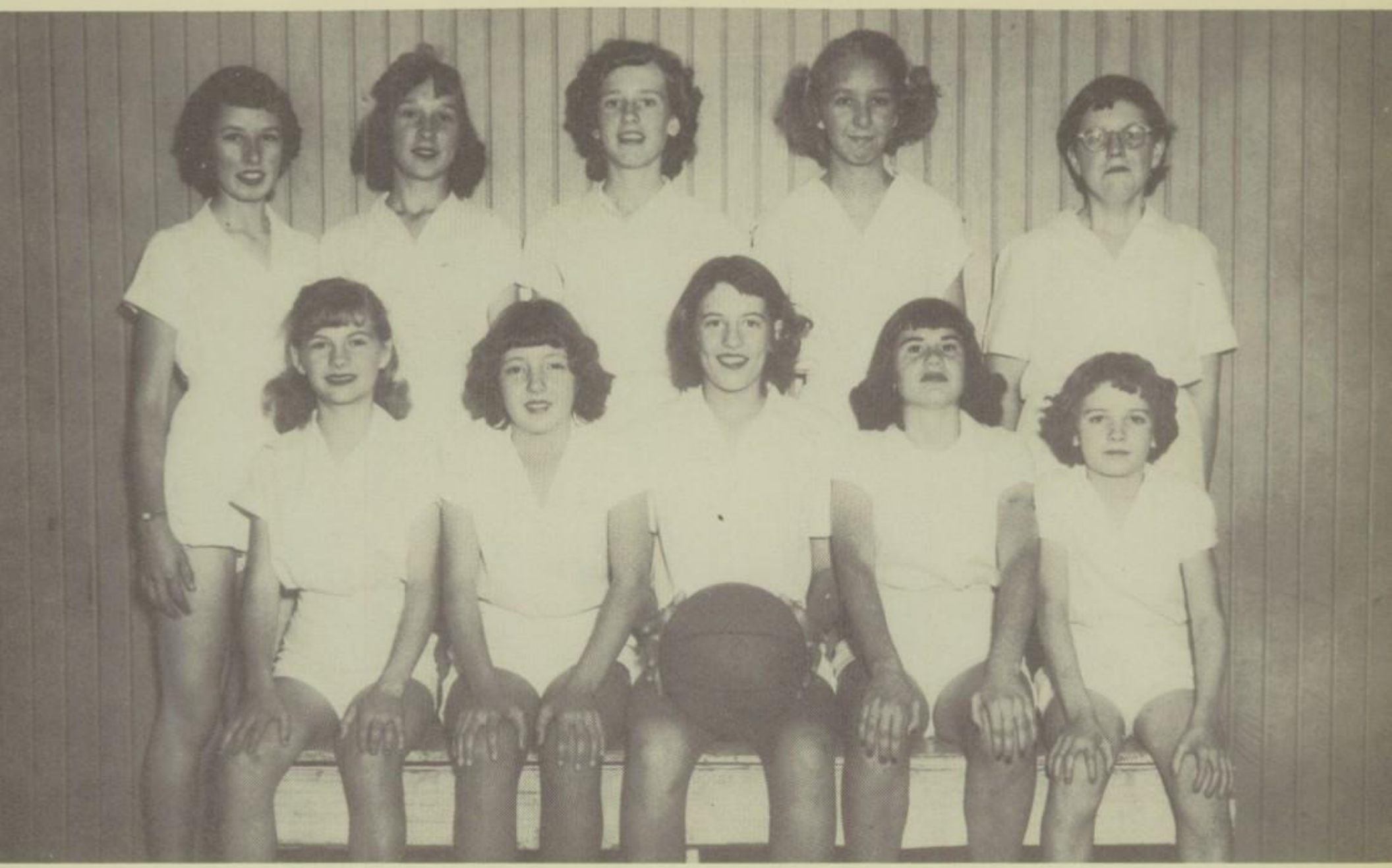

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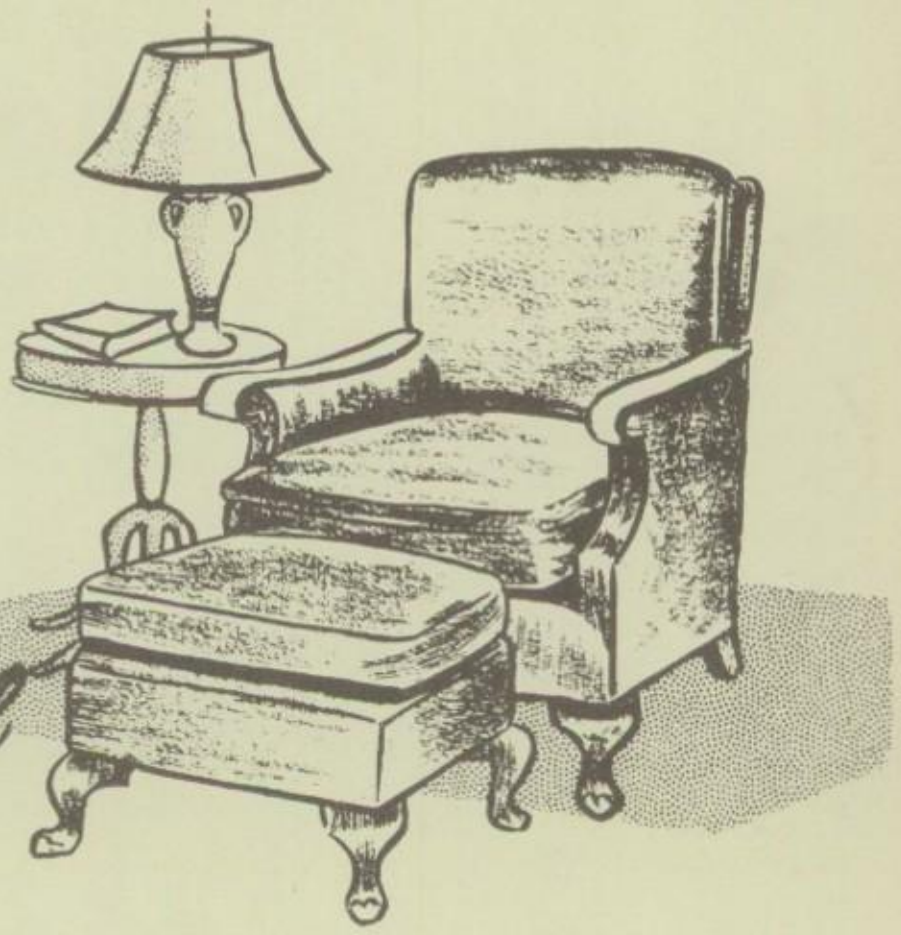

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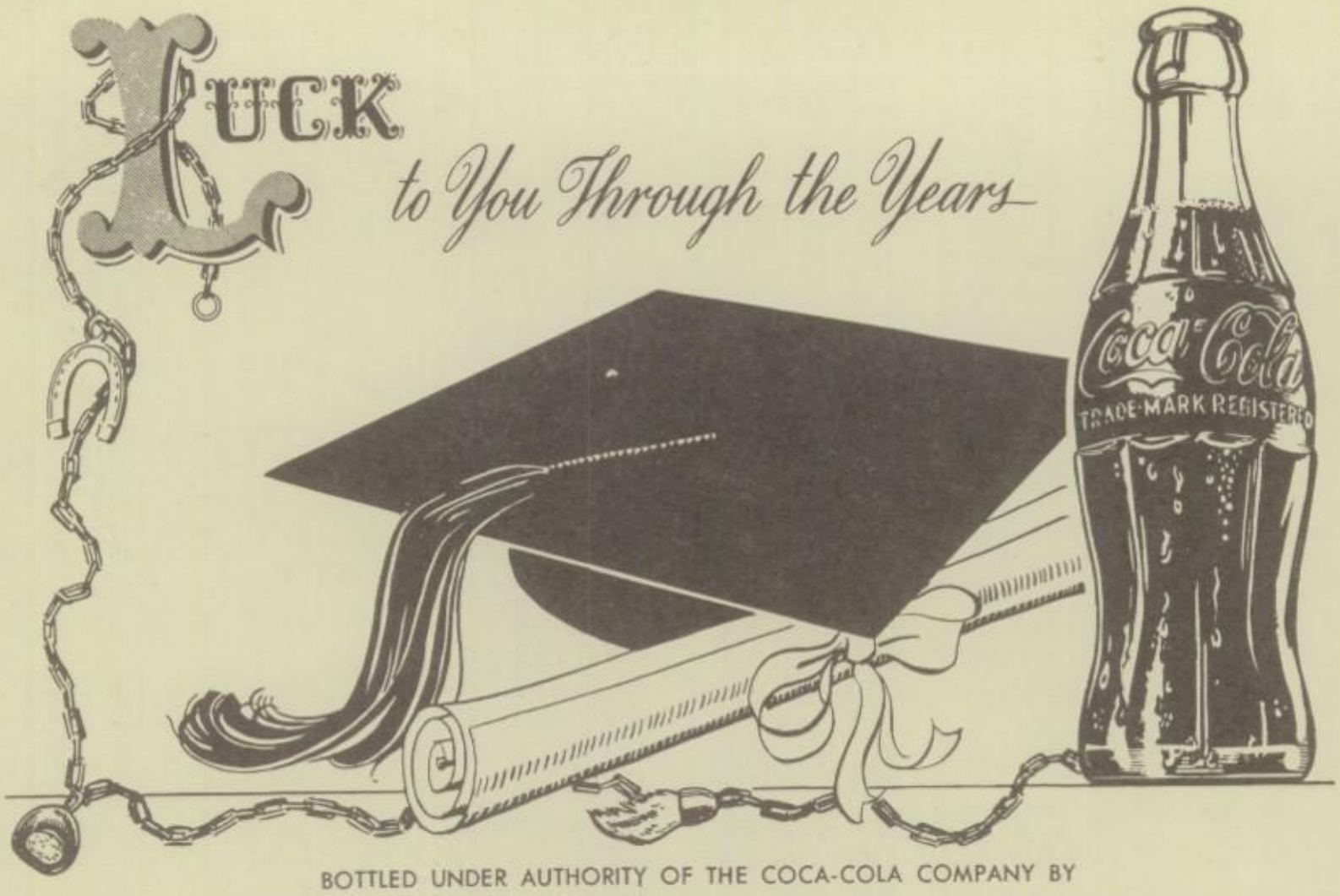

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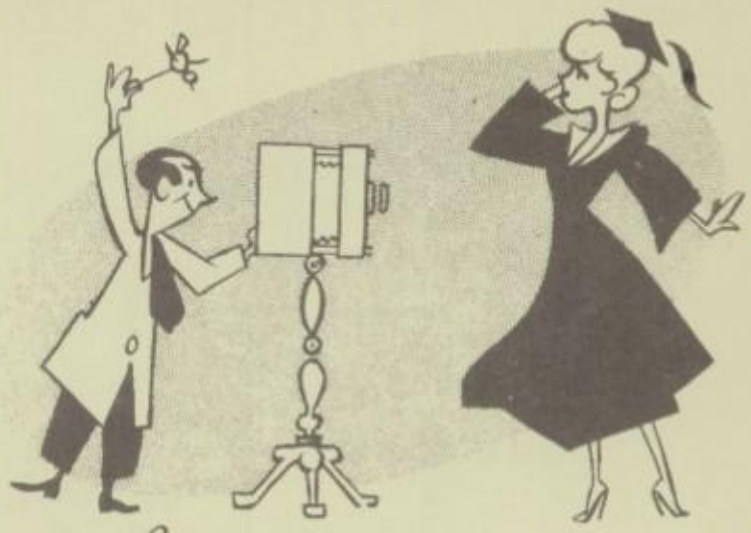

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